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COMMENCED AT HARRISBURG,

TUESDAY, THE FIFTH OF DECEMBER, IN THE YEAR
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AND TWENTY-SIX,

AND OF THE COMMONWEALTH THE
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OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

TUESDAY, December 5, 1826.

THIS being the day appointed by the constitution for the meeting of the General Assembly, a number of gentlemen, elected members of the House of Representatives, sufficient to constitute a quorum, met. And

On motion,

The returns of the elections held in the city of Philadelphia, and in the several counties of this commonwealth, were read, by which it appeared that the following gentlemen were returned as Representatives of the city and counties respectively, for the ensuing year, viz.

Philadelphia City.

William Lehman,
William Boyd,
John R. C. Smith,
William M. Meredith,
William Duncan,
Benjamin S. Bonsall.

Philadelphia County.

William Binder,
Jonathan T. Knight,
Samuel J. Pearson,
David Snyder,
Jesse R. Burden,
James M'Ewen,
Joseph Hergesheimer.

Bucks.

George Harrison,
Robert Ramsey,
John Fackenthal,
John Matts.

Chester.

William Thompson,
Townsend Haines,
Robert Miller,
Matthias Pennypacker.

Lancaster.

John Barber,
Henry D. Overholzer,
Jeremiah Brown, Jr.
Henry Miller,

John Buyers,
Robert Agnew.

York.

John Becker,
Christian Hetrick,
Peter Wolford,
Stephen T. Cooper.

Cumberland.

Jacob Alter,
James Dunlap.

Perry.

Jesse Miller.

Berks & Schuylkill.

Henry Boyer,
Daniel A. Bertolet,
David Hattenstein,
Philip A. Good,
George Rahn.

Northampton, Wayne & Pike.

Nathaniel B. Eldred,
Peter Ihrie, Jr.
James Kennedy.

Lehigh.

Jacob Dillinger,
George Miller.

Northumberland.

Daniel Scudder.

Union.

James Madden,
William Forster, Jr.

Columbia.

John M'Reynolds,
William M'Bride.

Washington.

Joseph Ritner,
William M'Creery,
Aaron Kerr,
Thomas Ringland.

Westmoreland.

James Bell,
Jacob M. Wise,
George Farrell.

*Armstrong, Indiana & Jefferson. Lycoming, Potter, M'Kean and
Joseph Rankin,
David Lawson.*

Fayette.

Thomas Irwin,
Solomon G. Krepps,
James Nicholson.

Bedford.

John Tutwiler,
George James.

Franklin.

Frederick Smith,
James Walker,
Peter Aughinbaugh.

Montgomery.

Michael Cope,
John Stevens,
James Evans,
John Matheys.

Dauphin.

William Lauman,
Henry B. Dorrance.

Lebanon.

James Bell,
Philip Wolfersberger.

Luzerne & Susquehanna.

Philander Stephens,
Samuel Thomas,
Garrick Mallery.

Bradford.

Constant Mathewson.

Huntingdon.

Matthew Wilson,
John Blair.

Beaver.

John R. Shaunou.

Allegheny & Butler.

John Brown,
William B. Foster,
William Beatty,
Harmer Denny.

Mifflin.

John Cummin,
John Patterson.

Delaware.

Joseph Engle.

Somerset & Cambria.

John Gebhart, Jr.
John Mathews.

Robert M'Clure.

William Cox Ellis.

Greene.

Barnet Whitlatch.

Adams.

James M'Sherry,
Thompson T. Bonner.
Centre & Clearfield.
Greenwood Bell,
James M. Petrikin.

Crawford & Venango.

Thomas Atkinson.
Erie & Warren.
Stephen Woolverton.
Mercer.
Thomas S. Cunningham.

MEMBERS PRESENT.

Robert Agnew, Jacob Alter, Thomas Atkinson, Peter Aughinbaugh, John Barber, William Beatty, John Becker, Greenwood Bell, James Bell, Leb. James Bell, West. Daniel A. Bertolet, William Binder, Thompson T. Bonner, Benjamin S. Bonsall, William Boyd, Henry Boyer, John Brown, Jeremiah Brown, Jr. Jesse R. Burden, John Buyers, Stephen T. Cooper, Michael Cope, John Cummin, Thomas S. Cunningham, Harmer Denny, Jacob Dillinger, Henry B. Dorrance, William Duncan, James Dunlap, Nathaniel B. Eldred, William Cox Ellis, James Evans, John Fackenthal, George Farrell, William Forster, jr. William B. Foster, John Gebhart, Philip A. Good, Townsend Haines, George Harrison, Joseph Hergesheimer, Christian Hetrick, Peter Ihrie, jr. Thomas Irwin, George James, James Kennedy, Aaron Kerr, Jonathan T. Knight, Solomon G. Krepps, William Lauman, David Lawson, William Lehman, William M'Bride, Robert M'Clure, William M'Creery, James M'Ewen, James M'Sherry, James Madden, Garrick Mallery, John Matheys, Mont. John Mathews, Cam. Constant Mathewson, John Matts, William M. Meredith, George Miller, Henry Miller, Jesse Miller, Robert Miller, James Nicholson, Henry D. Overholzer, John Patterson, Samuel J. Pearson, Matthias Pennypacker, James M. Petrikin, George Rahn, Robert Ramsey, Joseph Rankin, Thomas Ringland, Joseph Ritner, Daniel Scudder, John R. Shannon, Frederick Smith, John R. C. Smith, David Snyder, Philander Stephens, John Stevens, Samuel Thomas, William Thompson, John Tutwiler, James Walker, Barnett Whitlatch, Matthew Wilson, Philip Wolfersberger, Peter Wolford, Stephen Woolverton.—95.

On motion,

The said members proceeded to the election of a Speaker, and the votes being taken agreeably to the 11th section of the first article of the constitution of this commonwealth, it appeared that Joseph Ritner was unanimously elected.

Whereupon,

Mr. Brown, a member from Allegheny county, in conformity to an act, entitled "An act to regulate the administering of certain oaths," passed March 19, 1804, administered the requisite oaths to the Speaker.

After which, the members present took and subscribed the oaths and affirmations, in conformity to the eighth article of the constitution of this commonwealth, and the act of Congress, passed 1st June, 1789.

Mr. Leech and Mr. Hambright, a committee from the Senate, being introduced, informed that the Senate is organized and ready to proceed to business.

On motion of Mr. M'Sherry and Mr. Gebhart,

Ordered, That Mr. M'Sherry and Mr. Lawson, be a committee to inform the Senate that this House is organized, and ready to proceed to business.

The Speaker laid before the House a letter from Joseph Engle, which was read as follows, viz.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

SIR,

The undersigned being recently appointed one of the associate judges of the court of common pleas, in and for Delaware county, Pennsylvania, and having accepted the same, does hereby resign his seat as a member of your honorable House for the said county.

I am yours, respectfully,

JOS. ENGLE.

Nov. 16, 1826.

Laid on the table.

The Speaker laid before the House a letter from John M'Reynolds, which was read as follows, viz.

To the Honorable the Speaker of the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

SIR,

From a firm conviction of the propriety of the measure; a sense of what is due to the public, the House of Representatives, and my own character, permit me, through your intervention, to announce to the honorable body over which you preside, my determination, under existing circumstances, to resign my seat as a member of the Legislature.

I am averse to taking advantage of an informality in the return of a particular township, or of any accidental success which a mistake of the election law may have thrown into the scale in my favor. I am equally averse to being accessory to the disfranchisement, for the time being, of a respectable portion of my fellow citizens, by availing myself of the errors of their officers of the last election. Impressed with the justice and solidity of these reasons, I beg of you, Sir, to communicate to your honorable body, that I decline being considered a member thereof, and request you to accept this, my resignation, as a member of the House of Representatives of the commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

I have, Sir, the honor to be

Your obedient servant,

JOHN M'REYNOLDS.

Derry township, Columbia county,

December 1, 1826.

Laid on the table.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, presented the following extracts from their Journal, viz.

" IN THE SENATE,

DECEMBER 5, 1826.

On motion,

Ordered, That Messrs. Ogle, Knight, Hunt, Mann and Sutherland, be a committee to join a committee of the House of Representatives, if that House should appoint such committee, and report a system of rules for conducting business between the two Houses.

" IN THE SENATE, December 5, 1826.

On motion,

Ordered, That Messrs. Kitchen and Ray be a committee, in conjunction with a committee from the House of Representatives, if that House should appoint such committee, to inform the Governor that the General Assembly is duly organized, and ready to receive his communications."

Laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Beatty and Mr. Brown,

Ordered, That Mr. Beatty and Mr. Duncan be a committee, in conjunction with a similar committee of the Senate, already appointed, to wait upon the Governor and inform him that the General Assembly is organized and ready to receive his communications, and that the Clerk inform the Senate of the same.

A motion was made by Mr. Lawson and Mr. Rankin, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That the members of this House, the Clerk, Sergeant-at-arms and Door-keeper, each be furnished with three daily newspapers, or as many papers as shall be equivalent thereto in price, and that the expenses thereof be paid out of the contingent fund. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, and being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Rahn and Mr. J. Stevens, to amend the same, by striking therefrom " three," and inserting in lieu thereof " two."

And on the question,

Will the House agree so to amend?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Rahn and Mr. Boyer, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Agnew
Alter
Barber
Becker
G. Bell
Bell, Leb.
Bell, West.
Bertolet

Mr. Binder
Bonner
Boyer
Brown, Lan.
Cooper
Cope
Dillinger
Dunlap

Mr. Evans
Farrell
W. Forster
Gebhart
Good
Haines
Harrison
Hetrick

YEAS.

Mr. Ihrie	Mr. Mathews, Cam.	Mr. Rahn
Kennedy	Matts	Ramsey
Kerr	G. Miller	Ringland
Krepps	H. Miller	J. Stevens
Lauman	R. Miller	Whitlatch
M'Bride	Nicholson	Wilson
M'Creery	Overholzer	Wolfersberger
M'Sherry	Patterson	Wolford
Matheys, Mont.	Pennypacker	Ritner, Sp'r. 51

NAIS.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Fackenthall	Mr. Pearson
Aughinbaugh	W. B. Foster	Petrikín
Beatty	Hergesheimer	Rankin
Bonsall	Irwin	Scudder
Boyd	James	Shannon
Brown, Allegh.	Knight	F. Smith
Burden	Lawson	J. R. C. Smith
Buyers	Lehman	Snyder
Cummin	M'Clure	P. Stephens
Cunningham	M'Ewen	Thomas
Denny	Mallery	Thompson
Dorrance	Mathewson	Tutwiler
Duncan	Meredith	Walker
Eldred	J. Miller	Woolverton
Ellis		

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So the question was determined in the affirmative.

And the resolution as amended, was adopted.

On motion of Mr. M'Creery and Mr. Gebhart,

Ordered, That when this House adjourns, it will adjourn to meet at 10 o'clock to-morrow morning, and that that be the standing hour of meeting until otherwise ordered.

A motion was made by Mr. Kerr and Mr. M'Creery, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That the following standing committees be appointed, viz.

A committee of ways and means.

A committee on the judiciary system.

A committee on claims.

A committee on agriculture.

A committee on education.

A committee on domestic manufactures.

A committee to compare bills and present them to the Governor for his approbation.

A committee of accounts.

A committee on vice and immorality.

A committee on the militia system.

A committee on election districts.

A committee on banks.

A committee on inland navigation and internal improvement.
Laid on the table.

A motion was made by Mr. Knight and Mr. Duncan, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That the Clerk be, and he is hereby authorised and required to receive the several accounts due by members of this House for postage on letters and newspapers, by them received during the present session, and pay the same out of the contingent fund. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted

A motion was made by Mr. Meredith and Mr. M'Creery, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That a committee be appointed on the part of this House for the purposes expressed in the act of Assembly, entitled "An act for the better preservation and increase of the Library of this commonwealth.

Laid on the table.

Adjourned until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

WEDNESDAY, December 6, 1826.

The Speaker informed the House that he had on yesterday issued the writs of election required by the constitution and laws of this commonwealth, directed to the sheriffs of the counties of Delaware and Columbia, to hold an election in their respective counties on Tuesday, the 26th inst. to fill the vacancies occasioned by the resignation of Joseph Engle, late a member of this House from Delaware county, and of John M'Reynolds, late a member of this House from Columbia county.

The Speaker laid before the House a letter from Cameron and Krause, praying to be appointed printers of the Bills of this House.

The Speaker laid before the House, a letter from Jeremiah Schneider and Samuel Myers, praying to be appointed printers of the Journal of this House, in the German language.

The Speaker laid before the House, a letter from Hutter and Mueller, praying to be appointed printers of the Journal of this House, in the German language.

The Speaker laid before the House, a letter from John Dietz,

praying to be appointed printer of the Journal of this House, in the German language.

The Speaker laid before the House, a letter from Baab & Villee, praying to be appointed printers of the Journal of this House, in the German language.

The Speaker laid before the House, a letter from John S. Wiestling, praying to be appointed printer of the Journal of this House, in the English language.

Which letters were read, and

Laid on the table.

The Speaker laid before the House a letter from Francis R. Shunk, soliciting the appointment of Clerk of this House.

Which was read and laid on the table.

Mr. J. R. C. Smith presented a petition from sundry citizens of the county of Philadelphia engaged in domestic manufactures, praying that certain property in the hands of workmen employed in manufactures, and also the machines and tools of the workmen may be exempted from distress or sale for rent.

Which was read, and referred to Messrs. J. R. C. Smith, Ellis, Krepps, G. Miller and Becker.

Mr. Gebhart presented a petition from the president and managers of the Somerset and Bedford turnpike road company, praying for authority to take toll on a part of the said road, upon the summit of the Dry Ridge.

Which was referred to Messrs. Gebhart, Kerr and Dunlap.

Mr. Irwin presented a petition on behalf of the trustees of Clinton college, in Fayette county, accompanied with a document, praying for an act of incorporation.

Mr. F. Smith presented the petition of Mary Murray, of Franklin county, accompanied with documents, stating the services of her late husband, Thomas Murray, in the revolutionary war, and praying relief.

And the said petitions and documents were

Laid on the table.

Mr. Meredith presented the petition of Eliza Hamilton, widow and executrix of Andrew Hamilton, late of the city of Philadelphia, deceased, accompanied with documents, praying for authority to sell or lease on ground rent, certain real estate therein mentioned.

Which were referred to Messrs. Meredith, Nicholson and Ramsey.

Mr. Petrikin presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Centre county, praying that Sinking creek, from its mouth to Christian Keller's mill, may be declared a public highway.

Which was referred to Messrs. Petrikin, Farrell and Good.

Mr. Ringland presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Washington and Allegheny counties, praying that a state road may be laid out from Pittsburg, through Burgetstown to the state line, in the direction of Steubenville.

Which was referred to the members from Washington and Allegheny counties.

Mr. McCreery presented the petition of Stephen Wood, depu-

ty surveyor of Washington county, praying for authority to copy certain records therein mentioned.

Which was referred to the members from the said county.

Mr. W. B. Foster presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of the city of Pittsburg, praying for the passage of a law to prevent imposition in the sale of tobacco,

Which was referred to Messrs. W. B. Foster, Duncan and J. Stevens.

Mr. Boyer presented a petition from the commissioners appointed to lay out a state road from Orwigsburg to Stetler's tavern, praying that the time allowed by law for making their report may be extended.

Which was referred to Messrs. Boyer, P. Stephens and Mathewson.

Mr. Lehman presented a memorial from the German society of Philadelphia, praying that certain property belonging to the said society may be exempted from taxation.

Which was referred to Messrs. Lehman, Walker and J. Miller.

Mr. Lawson presented the petition of Prudence Stewart, widow of Robert Stewart, late of Armstrong county, deceased, accompanied with documents, praying that certain real estate therein mentioned may be vested in her.

Which were referred to Messrs. Lawson, Ellis and Shannon.

Mr. M'Sherry presented the petition of captain Samuel White, praying to be appointed Sergeant at-Arms of this House.

Mr. J. Stevens presented the petition of James Smith, praying to be re-appointed Sergeant-at-arms of this House.

Mr. Dorrance presented the petition of Thomas Wallace, praying to be re-appointed Doorkeeper of this House.

And the said petitions were

Laid on the table.

Mr. M'Sherry, from the committee appointed on yesterday to inform the Senate that this House is organized and ready to proceed to business, reported that they had performed that service.

Mr. Beatty from the committee appointed for the purpose, reported that in conjunction with a similar committee from the Senate, they had informed the Governor that the General Assembly is duly organized and ready to receive his communications; and that he informed them that he would make his communications to day at 12 o'clock.

Mr. Meredith read in his place, and on leave given presented to the chair, a bill, No. 1, entitled "An act concerning ground rents."

Which bill was read, and made the order of the day for Monday the 11th inst.

Mr. Snyder read in his place, and on leave given presented to the chair a bill, No. 2, entitled "An act to enable the Governor to appoint a notary public in the incorporated district of Kensington."

Which bill was read, and

Laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Kerr and Mr. M'Creery,

The resolution relative to the appointment of standing committees, read on yesterday, was read the second time, considered and adopted.

Whereupon,

Messrs. Harrison, Kerr, Denny, Binder, P. Stephens, M'Clure, Wilson, Thompson and Becker were appointed a committee of ways and means.

Messrs. F. Smith, Meredith, Irwin, Ramsey, M'Sherry, Madden, Bell of Westmoreland, J. Miller, and Evans were appointed a committee on the judiciary system.

Messrs. M'Creery, Gebhart, Fackenthall, M'Bride and Overholzer, were appointed a committee on claims.

Messrs. Alter, Kennedy, Cope, Bell, of Lebanon, Buyers, Rankin and Patterson, were appointed a committee on agriculture.

Messrs. Eldred, Petrikin, Hottenstein, Pearson, Bonsall, Cooper and Brown, of Lancaster, were appointed a committee on education.

Messrs. J. R. C. Smith, G. Miller, Lauman, Krepps, M'Ewen, Pennypacker, Good, Mathews, of Cambria, and H. Miller, were appointed a committee on domestic manufactures.

Messrs. Dillinger, Farrell and Agnew, were appointed a committee to compare bills, and present them to the Governor for his approbation.

Messrs. Rahn, Knight, J. Stevens, Atkinson and Wolfersberger, were appointed a committee of accounts.

Messrs. Brown, Dunlap, Matts, Cummin and Wolford, were appointed a committee on vice and immorality.

Messrs. Thomas, Ringland, Duncan, Walker, Matheys of Montgomery, W. Forster and James, were appointed a committee on the militia system.

Messrs. Boyer, Hetrick, Hergesheimer, Aughinbaugh, Mathewson, R. Miller and Whitlatch, were appointed a committee on election districts.

Messrs. Snyder, Barber, Woolverton, Boyer, Tutwiler, Shannon and Bonner, were appointed a committee on banks.

Messrs. Lehman, Lawson, W. B. Foster, Wise, Burden, Beatty, Ellis, Cunningham, Mallery, Blair, Scudder, Haines and Dorrance, were appointed a committee on inland navigation and internal improvement.

On motion of Mr. Meredith and Mr. M'Creery,

The resolution read on yesterday, relative to the Library of this commonwealth, was read a second time, considered and adopted. And

Ordered, That Messrs. Ihrie, Bertolet and Nicholson, be a committee for the purposes therein expressed, and that the Clerk inform the Senate of the same.

A motion was made by Mr. Kerr and Mr. Ringland,

That an item of unfinished business, relative to the erection of a new county out of parts of Washington, Allegheny, Westmoreland and Fayette counties, be referred to a committee.

The motion being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Irwin and Mr. Nicholson, to amend the same, by adding thereto these words, "composed of the members from the said counties."

And on the question,

Will the House agree so to amend?

A motion was made by Mr. Lawson and Mr. Ellis, to postpone the question, together with the motion, for the present.

Which was agreed to.

A motion was made by Mr. J. R. C. Smith, and Mr. Cunningham, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That a committee on the division of counties, and the formation of new counties, be added to the standing committees.

Laid on the table.

A motion was made by Mr. Ellis and Mr. P. Stephens, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That to morrow be assigned for the election of Clerk, Sergeant-at-arms, Door-keeper and Printers. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

On motion of Mr. Ellis and Mr. P. Stephens,

The House proceeded to the nomination of candidates for Clerk, Sergeant at arms and Doorkeeper. When

On motion,

The several applicants for the said offices were respectively nominated.

On motion of Mr. M'Creery and Mr. Dillinger,

Ordered, That the rules of the late House of Representatives be adopted for the government of this House, until otherwise ordered.

A motion was made by Mr. Ellis and Mr. J. Miller, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to prepare rules for the government of this House. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted. And

Ordered, That Messrs. Ellis, Irwin, Lawson, Meredith and Farrell, be a committee for the purpose therein expressed.

On motion of Mr. F. Smith and Mr. Rahn,

Ordered, That Messrs. F. Smith, Binder, Lehman, Ellis and M'Sherry be a committee, in conjunction with a committee of the Senate, already appointed, to report a system of rules for conducting business between the two Houses, and that the Clerk inform the Senate of the same.

A motion was made by Mr. Denny and Mr. Duncan, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to take under consideration the propriety and the manner of electing Chaplains to the

General Assembly, and to confer thereupon with a committee from the Senate, if the Senate should appoint such a committee. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted. And

Ordered, That Messrs. Denny, Kerr and Cummin be a committee for the purpose therein expressed, and that the Clerk inform the Senate of the same.

On motion of Mr. Rahn and Mr. Boyer,

Ordered, That an item of unfinished business, relative to the incorporation of the Schuylkill Valley navigation company, be referred to Messrs. Rahn, Binder and Duncan.

On motion of Mr. Meredith and Mr. Ramsey,

Ordered, That an item of unfinished business, relative to the relief of the heirs and assigns of John Clarke, be referred to Messrs. Meredith, Haines and Rankin.

On motion of Mr. Rahn and Mr. Farrell,

Ordered, That an item of unfinished business, relative to improving the navigation of Norwegian creek, be referred to Messrs. Rahn, Bell, of Westmoreland, and Evans.

On motion of Mr. Ramsey and Mr. Harrison,

Ordered, That an item of unfinished business, relative to the appointment of treasurer of Bucks county, be referred to the members from the said county.

On motion of Mr. Snyder and Mr. Fackenthall,

Ordered, That an item of unfinished business, relative to the relief of Joseph H Fennemore, be referred to Messrs. Snyder, Fackenthall and Overholzer.

On motion of Mr. Beatty and Mr. Brown of Allegheny,

Ordered, That an item of unfinished business, relative to the Butler and Kittanning turnpike road, be referred to Messrs. Beatty, Lawson and Rankin.

On motion of Mr. Ringland and Mr. M'Creery,

Ordered, That an item of unfinished business, relative to a state road from Bell's cross roads to West Alexandria, be referred to Messrs. Ringland, Whitlatch and Nicholson.

On motion of Mr. Harrison and Mr. Matts,

Ordered, That an item of unfinished business, relative to granting compensation to the executors of Thomas Livezey, for lands certified to Connecticut claimants, be referred to Messrs. Harrison, Thomas and Bonner.

On motion of Mr. Knight and Mr. Harrison,

Ordered, That an item of unfinished business, relative to regulating fences, be referred to Messrs. Knight, Alter and Boyer.

On motion of Mr. Woolverton and Mr. Cunningham,

Ordered, That an item of unfinished business, relative to granting to John Dickson a certain lot of ground, be referred to Messrs. Woolverton, Shannon and Bertolet.

On motion of Mr. G. Bell and Mr. Madden,

Ordered, That an item of unfinished business, relative to improving the road through the Brush Valley Narrows, be referred to Messrs. G. Bell, Madden and Eldred.

On motion of Mr. W. B. Foster and Mr. Brown of Allegheny,

Ordered, That an item of unfinished business, relative to the education of the poor in the city of Pittsburg, be referred to the members from Allegheny and Butler counties.

On motion of Mr. Ihrie and Mr. Kennedy,

Ordered, That an item of unfinished business, relative to improving the road crossing the Lehigh hills, be referred to Messrs. Ihrie, Kennedy and Eldred.

On motion of Mr. Cope and Mr. J. Stevens,

Ordered, That an item of unfinished business, relative to improving certain roads in Montgomery and Lehigh counties, be referred to the members from the said counties.

On motion of Mr. Snyder and Mr. Fackenthall,

Ordered, That an item of unfinished business, relative to the incorporation of the Kensington district of the Northern Liberties, be referred to Messrs. Snyder, Dorrance and Patterson.

On motion of Mr. Cummin and Mr. Patterson,

Ordered, That an item of unfinished business, relative to improving the navigation of Tuscarora creek, be referred to the members from Mifflin and Perry counties.

On motion of Mr. Ellis and Mr. J. Miller,

Ordered, That an item of unfinished business, relative to the revival of judgments, be referred to the committee on the judiciary system.

On motion of Mr. G. Bell and Mr. Madden,

Ordered, That an item of unfinished business, relative to the erection of an Academy in the town of Clearfield, be referred to Messrs. G. Bell, Atkinson and Nicholson.

On motion of Mr. Eldred and Mr. Kennedy,

Ordered, That an item of unfinished business, relative to the establishment of an Academy in the town of Milford, be referred to Messrs. Eldred, Thompson and Ramsey.

On motion of Mr. Petrikin and Mr. Thomas,

Ordered, That an item of unfinished business, relative to declaring Penn's creek a public highway, be referred to Messrs. Petrikin, Rahn and Knight.

Mr. W. Forster obtained leave to withdraw the petition and documents of George Ulrich.

On motion of Mr. M'Sherry and Mr. Bohner,

The House adjourned until 12 o'clock.

SAME DAY.

The Secretary of the commonwealth being introduced, presented a message from the Governor, (No. 1,) accompanied with the following documents, viz.

(No. 2.) Correspondence between the Secretary of the Commonwealth and the War Department, relative to fort Mifflin.

(No. 3.) Correspondence between the Secretary of the Commonwealth and sundry banks, relative to the loan of two hundred thousand dollars.

(No. 4.) Report of the commissioners appointed to improve the navigation of the river Susquehanna.

(No. 5.) Correspondence relative to canal loan of three hundred thousand dollars.

Which message and documents were read, and

Laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Harrison and Mr. Matts,

Ordered, That one thousand copies of the Governor's message be printed for the use of the members.

On motion of Mr. Snyder and Mr. Fackenthal,

Ordered, That Messrs. Snyder, Denny, Harrison, P. Stephens and Agnew be a committee to arrange the various items of the Governor's message.

Adjourned until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

THURSDAY, December 7, 1826.

The Speaker laid before the House a letter from William White, praying to be appointed printer of the Journal of this House in the German language.

Which was read, and

Laid on the table.

Mr. Knight presented the petition of Jacob Snider, of Philadelphia county, accompanied with documents, stating his services in the revolutionary war, and praying relief.

Mr. Kennedy presented the petition of John Ohl, of Northampton county, accompanied with documents, stating his services in the revolutionary war, and praying relief.

Mr. Lawson presented the petition of John Davis, of Armstrong county, accompanied with documents, stating his services in the revolutionary war, and praying relief.

Mr. Meredith presented the petition of Margaret Irwin, of the city of Philadelphia, accompanied with documents, stating the services of her late husband, James Irwin, in the revolutionary war, and praying relief.

Mr. Kennedy presented the petition of Susanna Horn, of Northampton county, accompanied with documents, stating the services of her late husband, Abraham Horn, in the revolutionary war, and praying relief.

Mr. F. Smith presented the petition of Samuel Blyth, of Franklin county, accompanied with documents, praying compensation for a tract of donation land for his services in the revolutionary war.

Mr. M'Sherry presented the petition of Thomas Abbott, of Adams county, accompanied with documents, stating his services in the revolutionary war, and praying relief.

Mr. Hergesheimer presented the petition of Charles Ristine, of the county of Philadelphia, accompanied with documents, stating his services in the revolutionary war, and praying relief.

Mr. Ellis presented the petition of Thomas Nicholls, of Lyscoming county, accompanied with documents, praying compensation for services rendered in the revolutionary war.

Mr. Cunningham presented the petition of William Amberson, of Mercer county, accompanied with documents, praying compensation for a tract of donation land for his services in the revolutionary war.

Mr. Lauman presented the petition of William Peck, of Lancaster county, accompanied with documents, stating his services in the revolutionary war, and praying relief.

Mr. Atkinson presented sundry documents, relative to the claim of Adam Owry.

Mr. Atkinson presented the petition of Dennis Carroll, of Crawford county, stating his services in the revolutionary war, and praying relief.

Mr. Meredith presented the petition of Catharine Miller, of the city of Philadelphia, accompanied with documents, stating the services of her late husband, Henry Miller, in the revolutionary war, and praying relief.

Mr. Meredith presented the petition of Elizabeth Simmons, of the city of Philadelphia, accompanied with a document, stating the services of her late husband, captain Jeremiah Simmons, in the revolutionary war, and praying relief.

Mr. Meredith presented the petition of Elizabeth Barnard, of the city of Philadelphia, stating the services of her late husband, John Barnard, in the revolutionary war, and praying relief.

Mr. Meredith presented the petition of Joseph Bigony, of the county of Philadelphia, stating his services in the revolutionary war, and praying relief.

Mr. Meredith presented the petition of Jacob Walters, of the city of Philadelphia, accompanied with documents, praying compensation for two tracts of donation land for his services and those of his brother, Michael Walters, in the revolutionary war.

Mr. Beatty presented the petition of John Allen, of Butler county, accompanied with documents, stating his services in the revolutionary war, and praying relief.

And the said petitions and documents were referred to the committee on claims.

Mr. Duncan presented a petition from sundry members of the American Sunday School Union, praying for an act of incorporation.

Which was referred to the members from the city of Philadelphia.

Mr. Farrell presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Westmoreland county, praying for the repeal of the act relating to collateral inheritances.

Which was read, and

Laid on the table.

Mr. Bonsall presented a memorial from sundry venders of lottery tickets, in the city of Philadelphia, praying that provision may be made for licensing lottery brokers.

Which was referred to the committee of ways and means.

Mr. Binder presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Edgmont and Thornbury townships, Delaware county, praying that the said townships may be erected into a separate election district, and the elections thereof held at the house of George Thatcher.

Which was referred to the committee on election districts.

Mr. Kennedy presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Northampton county, praying for an appropriation in aid of improving the road across the Lehigh hills, opposite to Bethlehem.

Mr. Ibric presented three petitions, of similar tenor and of like import with the foregoing.

And the said petitions were referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

Mr. Gebhart presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Somerset and Bedford counties, praying that the Somerset and Bedford turnpike road company may be authorised to receive toll upon that part of the road lying upon the summit of the dry ridge.

Mr. Tutwiler presented a petition of like import with the foregoing.

And the said petitions were referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

Mr. Petrikin presented a petition from the Philipsburg Fencibles, in Centre county, praying that the said corps may be erected into an independent company, and be inspected in Philipsburg.

Which was referred to the committee on the militia system.

Mr. Petrikin presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Centre county, praying that Pine creek, from Penn's creek to Liberty mills, may be declared a public highway.

Which was referred to Messrs. Petrikin, Evans and W. Forster.

Mr. W. Forster presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Union county, praying that a part of the state road from the mouth of White Deer creek to Bellefonte, may be vacated.

Which was referred to the members from Union and Centre counties.

Mr. Krepps presented the petition of Nicholas Black, of Fayette county, accompanied with documents, praying for a divorce from the bonds of matrimony.

And the said petition was read and referred to Messrs. Krepps, Woolverton and M'Bride.

Mr. Barber presented two petitions, of similar tenor, from sundry stockholders in the Columbia bridge company, praying for certain alterations in their act of incorporation.

Mr. Boyd presented a petition of like import with the foregoing.

And the said petitions were referred to the committee on banks.

Mr. Barber presented the petition of Mary Smith, of Lancaster county, accompanied with a document, praying for a divorce from the bonds of matrimony.

Which were read and referred to Messrs. Barber, M'Clure and Cope.

Mr. M'Bride presented the petition of James M'Clure and wife, and Hezekiah Pancoast and wife, of Columbia county, accompanied with documents, praying compensation for a tract of land certified to Connecticut claimants.

Which were referred to Messrs. M'Bride, Eldred and Mallery.

Mr. Petrikin presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Centre county, praying that Pine creek, from its mouth to John Neidigh's saw mill, may be declared a public highway.

Which was referred to Messrs. Petrikin, Thomas and Shannon.

Mr. Dillinger presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Lehigh county, praying that a state road may be laid out from Kutztown, in Berks county, to Mauch Chunk, in Northampton county.

Which was referred to the members from Lehigh, Berks and Northampton counties.

Mr. J. R. C. Smith presented a document relative to the exemption of the machinery and tools of poor mechanics from distress and sale for rent.

Which was referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

Mr. Meredith presented the petition of William Scott, of the city of Philadelphia, accompanied with documents, praying for the repeal of so much of an act passed in April, 1823, entitled

"An act for the relief of the creditors of the Harrisburg, Carlisle and Chambersburg turnpike road company," as gives a preference in payment out of the monies received for tolls, to a certain class of the creditors of the said company.

Which were referred to Messrs. Meredith, Alter and Barber.

Mr. Petrikin, from the committee to whom was, on yesterday, referred a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill, No. 3, entitled

"An act declaring Sinking creek, in Centre county, a public highway from its mouth to Christian Keller's mill.

Mr. Gebhart, from the committee to whom was, on yesterday, referred a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill, No. 4, entitled

"A further supplement to the act entitled An act authorising the Governor to incorporate four companies for making an artificial road from the town of Washington, in this state, to intersect the Harrisburg and Pittsburg turnpike road at or near the town of Bedford," passed the 18th day of March, 1816.

Mr. Rahn, from the committee to whom was, on yesterday, referred that item of unfinished business, reported a bill, No. 5, entitled

"An act authorising the Governor to incorporate the Schuylkill Valley navigation company."

Mr. Beatty, from the committee to whom was, on yesterday, referred that item of unfinished business, reported a bill, No. 6, entitled

"A supplement to the act, entitled An act to incorporate a company for making a turnpike road from Butler to the Allegheny river opposite Kittanning."

Mr. Snyder, from the committee to whom was, on yesterday, referred that item of unfinished business, reported a bill, No. 7, entitled

"A further supplement to an act, entitled An act to incorporate the Kensington district of the Northern Liberties."

Mr. Ringland, from the committee to whom was, on yesterday, referred that item of unfinished business, reported a bill, No. 8, entitled

"An act appropriating to internal improvement certain depreciated paper in the treasury of this commonwealth."

Mr. M'Creery, from the committee to whom was, on yesterday, referred a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill, No. 9, entitled "An act for the preservation of the records in the office of the deputy surveyor in the county of Washington."

Mr. Rahn, from the committee to whom was, on yesterday, referred that item of unfinished business, reported a bill, No. 10, entitled

"An act to improve the Norwegian creek, in Schuylkill county."

Mr. Snyder, from the committee to whom was, on yesterday,

referred that item of unfinished business, reported a bill, No. 11, entitled

“An act for the relief of Joseph H. Fennemore.”

Mr. Boyer, from the committee to whom was, on yesterday, referred a petition on the subject, on leave given reported a bill, No. 12, entitled

“A supplement to an act relative to state roads therein mentioned,” passed 5th April, 1826.

Mr. Woolverton, from the committee to whom was, on yesterday, referred that item of unfinished business, reported a bill, No. 13, entitled

“An act granting to John Dickson, of the borough of Erie, a certain lot of ground.”

Mr. Cummin, from the committee to whom was, on yesterday, referred that item of unfinished business, reported a bill, No. 14, entitled

“An act granting a sum of money for improving the navigation of Tuscarora creek, in Mifflin county.”

Mr. Ramsey, from the committee to whom was, on yesterday, referred that item of unfinished business, reported a bill, No. 15, entitled

“An act to repeal the act, entitled An act relating to the appointment of the treasurer of Bucks county.”

Mr. G. Bell, from the committee to whom was, on yesterday, referred that item of unfinished business, reported a bill, No. 16, entitled

“An act to improve a certain public road in Union and Centre counties, commonly called the Brush Valley Narrows.”

Mr. Harrison, from the committee to whom was, on yesterday, referred that item of unfinished business, reported a bill, No. 17, entitled

“An act granting compensation to the executors of the estate of Thomas Livezey, for tracts of land certified to Connecticut claimants, in the seventeen townships of the county of Luzerne.”

Mr. Ihrie, from the committee to whom was, on yesterday, referred that item of unfinished business, reported a bill, No. 18, entitled

“An act to improve a certain public road crossing the Lehigh hills, opposite the village of Bethlehem, in Northampton county.”

Mr. G. Bell, from the committee to whom was, on yesterday, referred that item of unfinished business, reported a bill, No. 19, entitled

“An act establishing an academy in the town of Clearfield.”

Mr. Meredith, from the committee to whom was, on yesterday, referred a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill, No. 20, entitled “An act authorising the sale of the real estate of Andrew Hamilton, deceased.”

Mr. Lehman, from the committee to whom was, on yesterday, referred a petition on the subject, on leave given reported a bill, No. 21, entitled

"An act to exempt from taxation the buildings of the German society in the city of Philadelphia."

Which bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

Agreeably to the order of the day,

The House proceeded to the election of Clerk—Mr. Irwin and Mr. Meredith being appointed tellers; and the votes being taken, it appeared that Francis R. Shunk was unanimously elected, to whom the requisite oaths were administered by the Speaker.

The Speaker informed the House, that the Clerk nominated for Assistant Clerk, Nathaniel P. Hobart.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the nomination?

It was determined in the affirmative.

Agreeably to the order of the day,

The House proceeded to the election of Sergeant-at-arms; and the votes being taken, it appeared that James Smith was duly elected.

Agreeably to the order of the day,

The House proceeded to the election of Door-keeper; and the votes being taken, it appeared that Thomas Wallace was unanimously elected.

Agreeably to the order of the day,

The House proceeded to the election of a printer of the journal in the English language; and the votes being taken, it appeared that John S. Wiestling was unanimously elected.

Agreeably to the order of the day,

The House proceeded to the election of a printer of the bills; and the votes being taken, it appeared that Cameron and Krause were unanimously elected.

Agreeably to the order of the day,

The House proceeded to the election of a printer of the journal in the German language; and the votes being taken, it appeared that Hutter and Mueller were duly elected.

Adjourned until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

FRIDAY, December 8, 1826.

The Speaker laid before the House a letter, (No. 6,) from the Secretary of the Land Office, accompanied with a statement, (No. 7,) of the business of his office for the last year.

Which were read, and

Laid on the table.

Mr. Duncan presented a memorial of the directors of the first section of the first school district of the state of Pennsylvania, praying that the councils of the city of Philadelphia, may be authorised to elect twelve additional directors of the public schools in the said district.

Which was referred to the members from the city and county of Philadelphia.

Mr. Mathews, of Cambria, presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Somerset and Bedford counties, praying that the Somerset and Bedford turnpike road company may be authorised to take toll on that part of the road lying upon the summit of the Dry Ridge.

Mr. James presented a petition of like import with the foregoing.

And the said petitions were

Laid on the table.

Mr. Hetrick presented the petition of Leonard Weyer, of York county, accompanied with documents, stating his services in the revolutionary war, and praying relief.

Mr. Overholzer presented the petition of Rosina Peters, of Lancaster county, accompanied with documents, stating the services of her late husband, Auger Arnold Peters, in the revolutionary war, and praying relief.

And the said petitions and documents were referred to the committee on claims.

Mr. Tutwiler presented the petition of John Miller, of Bedford county, accompanied with documents, praying compensation for extra work done in re-building a bridge over the Juniata river, on the Chambersburg and Bedford turnpike road.

Which were referred to Messrs. Tutwiler, Gebhart and Boyd.

Mr. Atkinson presented the petition of the guardian of Betsey Clarke and the executors of Conner Clarke, late of Crawford county, deceased, accompanied with documents, praying that a certain escheated estate therein mentioned may be vested in the widow and surviving child of the said Conner Clarke, deceased.

Mr. Atkinson presented the petition of Comfort Budge, of Crawford county, accompanied with documents, praying that the right of the commonwealth to a certain escheated estate therein mentioned, may be vested in her.

And the said petitions and documents were referred to the committee on the judiciary system.

On motion of Mr. Irwin and Mr. Nicholson,

Ordered. That the petition of the trustees of Clinton college, presented on the 6th inst. be referred to the committee on education.

Mr. Dillinger, from the committee to whom was, on yesterday, referred a petition on the subject, on leave given reported a bill, No. 22, entitled

"An act to authorise the laying out of a state road from Kutztown, in Berks county, to Mauch Chunk, in Northampton county."

Which bill was read, and

Laid on the table.

Mr. W. B. Foster, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 6th inst. a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill, No. 23, entitled

"An act to prevent fraud in the sale of manufactured tobacco."

Which bill was read, and made the order of the day for Friday the 15th instant.

Mr. Knight, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 6th inst. that item of unfinished business, reported a bill, No. 24, entitled

"An act supplementary to an act, entitled An act for regulating and maintaining fences."

Which bill was read, and made the order of the day for the first Monday of January next.

Mr. Snyder, from the committee on banks, reported a bill, No. 25, entitled

"A supplement to an act, entitled A supplement to an act, entitled An act to authorise the Governor of this commonwealth to incorporate a company for the purpose of making and erecting a bridge over the river Susquehanna, in the county of Lancaster, at or near the town of Columbia, passed the 29th day of March, 1824."

Mr. Petrikin, from the committee to whom was, on yesterday, referred a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill, No. 26, entitled

"An act declaring Pine creek, in Centre county, a public highway."

Mr. Krepps, from the committee to whom was, on yesterday, referred a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill, No. 27, entitled

"An act to annul the marriage contract of Nicholas Black and Fanny his wife."

Mr. W. Forster, from the committee to whom was, on yesterday, referred a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill, No. 28, entitled

"An act to vacate part of a state road leading from Bellefonte to the mouth of White Deer creek, in Union county."

Which bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

Mr. Rahn read in his place and, on leave given, presented to the chair, a bill, No. 29, entitled,

"A further supplement to the act, entitled An act to amend and consolidate with its supplements the act, entitled An act for the recovery of debts and demands not exceeding one hundred dollars, and for other purposes," passed 20th March, 1810.

Which bill was read, and made the order of the day for Wednesday the 13th instant.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, presented the following extracts from their Journal, viz.

"IN THE SENATE,

DECEMBER 5, 1826.

On motion,

Messrs. Duncan, Kitchin and Audenried were appointed a committee on the part of the Senate, for the purpose expressed in the act, entitled "An act to provide for the better preservation and increase of the Library of this commonwealth."

"IN THE SENATE,

DECEMBER, 8, 1826.

On motion,

The Senate proceeded to the nomination of candidates to supply the vacancy which will occur on the 4th of March next in the representation of this state in the Senate of the United States, in consequence of the expiration of the term for which the present member, William Findlay, was chosen.

Whereupon,

Mr. Mann nominated

Kitchin,
Audenried,
Hamilton,
Herbert,
Ogle,
Hambright,
Kerlin,

Isaac D. Barnard,
Samuel D. Ingham,
Joel B. Sutherland,
George B. Porter,
Alexander Mahon,
Thomas Sergeant,
James Buchanan,
Joseph Hemphill.

And Mr. Herbert was appointed to officiate as teller at the election on Tuesday next, on the part of the Senate."

Laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. J. R. C. Smith and Mr. Bell of Lebanon,

The resolution read on the 6th inst. relative to the appointment of a standing committee on the division of counties, was read the second time, considered and disagreed to.

On motion of Mr. F. Smith and Mr. Duncan,

Ordered, That to-morrow be assigned for the nomination of candidates to supply the vacancy in the representation of this state in the Senate of the United States, which will be occasioned by the expiration of the term for which William Findlay was elected.

A motion was made by Mr. Duncan and Mr. Walker, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to consider the expediency of purchasing copies of Strickland's reports upon canals, rail roads, turnpikes, bridges, &c.

Laid on the table.

A motion was made by Mr. Meredith and Mr. Boyd, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to enquire into the expediency of passing "An act for preventing abuses of the laws relative to fugitives from labor," with leave to report by bill or otherwise. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted. And

Ordered, That Messrs. Meredith, Cunningham, Nicholson, Mallery and Brown, of Allegheny, be a committee for the purpose therein expressed.

A motion was made by Mr. Irwin and Mr. M'Creery, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to inquire into the expediency of providing by law, an uniform system for the construction of state roads, and vesting in the courts of quarter sessions of the respective counties of the commonwealth, power to direct the opening of such roads whenever they may deem the same necessary, according to the prescribed system; and that the said committee have leave to report by bill or otherwise. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted. And

Ordered, That Messrs. Irwin, Farrell, Wilson, Cooper, Evans, Patterson and Good, be a committee for the purpose therein expressed.

On motion of Mr. Barber and Mr. W. Forster,

Ordered, That Friday next be assigned for the election of a director of the Columbia bridge company.

On motion of Mr. Bonsall and Mr. Gebhart,

Ordered, That Friday next be assigned for the election of directors of the bank of Pennsylvania, and of the Philadelphia bank.

A motion was made by Mr. Meredith and Mr. Ramsey, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That the committee on the judiciary system be instructed to inquire into the best mode of remedying the inconveniences arising from the existing laws in relation to local actions. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

A motion was made by Mr. Ellis and Mr. Petrikin, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That the committee on the judiciary system be instructed to inquire into the expediency of amending the laws of

this commonwealth, so as to declare more explicitly the uses of certain bonds given to the commonwealth and the Governor, by commissioners of certain state roads. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

A motion was made by Mr. Ellis and Mr. Petrikin, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That the committee on the judiciary system be instructed to inquire into the expediency of providing by law, for an annual statement to be made by the prothonotaries of the several courts of this commonwealth, in order to exhibit the number of suits and prosecutions commenced, at issue and determined, and such other information relative to the actual operation of the courts as they may deem proper, and for the annual communication of the same to the Legislature. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

Mr. Rahn obtained leave to withdraw the petition and documents of Elizabeth Rishell.

Mr. Beatty obtained leave to withdraw the petition and documents of Stephen Allen.

On motion of Mr. Kerr and Mr. Krepps, the House resumed the consideration of the motion postponed on the 6th inst. to wit: That an item of unfinished business, relative to the erection of a new county out of parts of Washington, Westmoreland, Allegheny and Fayette counties, be referred to a committee.

And the question recurring,

Will the House agree to amend the motion by adding thereto these words, "composed of the members from the said counties"?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Cummin and Mr. Farrel, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. W. B. Foster	Mr. Meredith
Aughinbaugh	Good	H. Miller
Barber	Haines	R. Miller
Beatty	Harrison	Nicholson
Bertolet	Irwin	Overholzer
Boyd	James	Pennypacker
Boyer	Krepps	Ramsey
Brown, Allegh.	Lauman	Ringland
Brown, Lan.	Lehman	Shannon
Buyers	M'Bride	J. R. C. Smith
Cope	M'Clure	P. Stephens
Cunningham	M'Creery	J. Stevens
Denny	M'Ewen	Thomas
Evans	Matheys, Mont.	Thompson
Fackenthall	Mathewson	Wilson
W. Forster	Matts	Ritner, <i>Sp'r.</i>

NAFS.

Mr. Alter	Mr. Dunlap	Mr. J. Miller
Atkinson	Farrell	Patterson
Becker	Gebhart	Pearson
G. Bell	Hergesheimer	Petrikín
Bell, Leb.	Hetrick	Rahn
Bell, West.	Ihríe	Rankin
Binder	Kennedy	F. Smith
Bonner	Kerr	Snyder
Bonsall	Knight	Tutwiler
Burden	Lawson	Walker
Cooper	M'Sherry	Whitlatch
Cummin	Madden	Wolfersberger
Dillingér	Mathews, Cam.	Wolford
Dorrance	G. Miller	Woolverton
Duncan		

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So the question was determined in the affirmative.

And the motion as amended was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Bonner and Mr. M'Sherry,

Ordered, That an item of unfinished business, relative to the settlement of the concerns of the Farmers' and Mechanics' bank of Greencastle, be referred to Messrs. Bonner, Barber and J. Stevens.

On motion of Mr. Ringland and Mr. Kerr,

Ordered, That an item of unfinished business, relative to the incorporation of the Franklin library company, in Washington county, be referred to Messrs. Ringland, Nicholson and R. Miller.

On motion of Mr. Burden and Mr. Pearson,

Ordered, That an item of unfinished business, relative to the increase of fees of magistrates and constables, in criminal cases, be referred to the members from the city and county of Philadelphia.

On motion of Mr. Woolverton and Mr. Cunningham,

Ordered, That an item of unfinished business, relative to the extinguishment of a debt due by Venango to Warren county, be referred to Messrs. Woolverton, Shannon and Auginbaugh.

On motion of Mr. Atkinson and Mr. Wilson,

Ordered, That an item of unfinished business, relative to the relief of James Lowry, assignee of David Thurston, be referred to Messrs. Atkinson, Cunningham and Lawson.

On motion of Mr. Bell of Lebanon, and Mr. Wolfersberger,

Ordered, That an item of unfinished business, relative to annexing part of Berks county to the county of Lebanon, be referred to Messrs. Bell of Lebanon, Gebhart and Krepps.

On motion of Mr. Tutwiler and Mr. James,

Ordered, That an item of unfinished business, relative to extending the jurisdiction of justices of the peace in cases of as-

sault and battery, be referred to the committee on the judiciary system.

On motion of Mr. Irwin and Mr. Nicholson,

Ordered, That an item of unfinished business, relative to annexing part of Somerset county to Fayette county, be referred to the members from the said counties.

On motion of Mr. Mathewson and Mr. P. Stephens,

Ordered, That an item of unfinished business, relative to the erection of a bridge over the north east branch of the river Susquehanna, at the village of Athens, be referred to Messrs. Mathewson, Matheys of Montgomery, and Cope.

On motion of Mr. Rankin and Mr. Lawson,

Ordered, That an item of unfinished business, relative to the erection of a new county out of parts of Armstrong and Venango counties, be referred to Messrs. Rankin, Lawson and Atkinson.

On motion of Mr. Overholzer and Mr. Barber,

Ordered, That an item of unfinished business, relative to suits by the commissioners of Lancaster county, be referred to Messrs. Overholzer, Mallery and Haines.

On motion of Mr. P. Stephens and Mr. Mathewson,

Ordered, That an item of unfinished business, relative to the erection of a bridge over the river Susquehanna, near the north line of the state, in Harmony township, Susquehanna county, be referred to Messrs. P. Stephens, Mallery, Thomas and Eldred.

On motion of Mr. Ramsey and Mr. Harrison,

Ordered, That an item of unfinished business, relative to constables' fees, be referred to the committee on the judiciary system.

On motion of Mr. Tutwiler and Mr. Atkinson,

Ordered, That an item of unfinished business, relative to the erection of a new county out of part of Bedford county, be referred to Messrs. Tutwiler, James and Walker.

On motion of Mr. Irwin and Mr. Gebhart,

Ordered, That an item of unfinished business, relative to an alteration of the judiciary system, be referred to the committee on the judiciary system.

On motion of Mr. Lawson and Mr. Rankin,

Ordered, That an item of unfinished business, relative to the road laws, be referred to the committee on inland navigation and internal improvement.

Adjourned until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

SATURDAY, December 9, 1826.

The Secretary of the Commonwealth being introduced, presented a message from the Governor, (No. 8,) accompanied with a letter, (No. 9,) from the president of the Philadelphia Chamber of Commerce, relative to a break water in the Delaware Bay.

The Secretary of the Commonwealth, also presented a message (No. 10,) from the Governor, accompanied with the following documents, viz.

(No. 11,) A letter from the Governor of Maryland relative to fisheries in the Susquehanna river.

(No. 12,) Report of the commissioners appointed to examine the Pittsburg penitentiary.

(No. 13,) Correspondence with the president of the Northumberland bridge company.

(No. 14,) Letter from the Attorney General relative to the Harrisburg canal, fire insurance and water company.

(No. 15,) Letter relative to the sword voted to captain Conner.

(No. 16,) Report of the commissioners appointed to revise the penal code.

Laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Meredith and Mr. Bonsall,

Ordered, That so much of the Governor's message as relates to the breakwater in the Delaware bay, be referred to the members from the city of Philadelphia.

On motion of Mr. Meredith and Mr. Bonsall,

Ordered, That so much of the Governor's message as relates to the Harrisburg canal, fire insurance and water company, be referred to Messrs. Meredith, Dorrance, Atkinson, Mallery, Barber, Lawson and Alter.

On motion of Mr. Meredith and Bonsall,

Ordered, That so much of the Governor's message as relates to the penal code, be referred to the committee on the judiciary system.

Mr. Snyder presented a petition from sundry members of the German reformed church, in the Northern Liberties of Philadelphia, praying for authority to raise, by way of lottery, eight thousand dollars in aid of paying the debts of the said church.

Mr. Harrison presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Bucks county, praying for certain alterations in the law relative to the election of treasurer of the said county.

And the said petitions were

Laid on the table.

Mr. Patterson presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Mifflin county, praying for the erection of a new county out of a part of the said county.

Which was referred to the members from Mifflin and Perry counties, with leave to report by bill or otherwise.

Mr. F. Smith presented sundry documents relative to the claim of Samuel Blyth.

Mr. Lawson presented the petition of William Hazlett, of Indiana county, accompanied with documents, stating his services in the revolutionary war, and praying relief.

Mr. Bertolet presented the petition of Adam Koch, of Berks county, accompanied with documents, praying for compensation for a tract of donation land, for his services in the revolutionary war.

Mr. Pennypacker presented the petition of Thomas Bodley, of Chester county, accompanied with documents, stating his services in the revolutionary war, and praying relief.

Mr. Shannon presented the petition of James M'Gown, of Beaver county, accompanied with documents, praying compensation for a part of a certain tract of donation land therein mentioned.

Mr. Rahn presented the petition of Elizabeth Dorothy Rishell, of Schuylkill county, accompanied with documents, praying compensation for a tract of donation land to which her late husband, John Gaighter, was entitled for his services in the revolutionary war.

And the said petitions and documents were referred to the committee on claims.

Mr. Duncan presented the petition of Matilda C. Hale, of the city of Philadelphia, accompanied with documents, praying for a divorce from the bonds of matrimony.

Which were referred to Messrs. Duncan, Woolverton and Walker.

Mr. Boyd presented a memorial from the stockholders of the Philadelphia Arcade, praying for an act of incorporation.

Which was referred to the members from the city of Philadelphia.

Mr. Denny presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Allegheny county, praying that the escheated estate of John Cunningham, late of Pittsburg, deceased, may be vested in his infant child, born out of wedlock.

Which was referred to the members from the said county.

Mr. Bertolet presented the petition of Daniel Herbein, of Berks county, stating that the bond of an insolvent debtor, deemed sufficient by the president judge of the district, was afterwards adjudged void by the court of the said county, whereby the petitioner lost a just claim, and praying relief.

Mr. Haines presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Chester county, stating the inconveniences sustained in consequence of the long continued indisposition of John Davis, Esq. an associate judge of the said county, and praying relief.

Mr. J. Miller presented the petition of Philip Leonard, a supervisor of highways, in Perry county, praying for authority to collect certain taxes therein mentioned.

And the said petitions were referred to the committee on the judiciary system.

Mr. Eldred presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Wayne county, praying that the time for electing township officers, in the said county, may be changed.

Which was referred to Messrs. Eldred, M'Bride and Krepps.

Mr. Woolverton presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Amity township, Erie county, praying that the said township may be erected into a separate election district, and the elections thereof held at the house of Crean B. Chaffee.

Which was referred to the committee on election districts.

Mr. Eldred presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Wayne county, praying for authority to elect additional supervisors of highways in the said county.

Which was referred to Messrs. Eldred, M'Bride, Krepps, Gebhart and Matheys of Montgomery.

Mr. Cunningham presented the petition of Nancy M'Millan, widow, and the heirs of Samuel Moore, late of Bedford county, deceased, praying that the guardian of the minor children of the said Samuel Moore may be authorised to sell and convey a certain tract of land in the said county.

Which was referred to Messrs. Cunningham, James and Matthews of Cambria.

Mr. Eldred presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Wayne county, praying for the passage of a law to improve the breed of sheep in the said county.

Which was referred to the committee on agriculture.

Mr. Rahn presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Schuylkill county, praying for the establishment of a bank in Pottsville.

Which was referred to the committee on banks.

Mr. Atkinson presented the petition of the guardian of the minor children of James Elliott, deceased, accompanied with documents, praying that the administrator of the estate of the said deceased may be authorised to compromise disputes relative to certain real estate in Crawford county.

Which was referred to Messrs. Atkinson, Irwin and Boyd.

On motion of Mr. F. Smith and Mr. Walker,

Ordered, That the petition of Margaret Murray, presented on the 6th inst. be referred to the committee on claims.

Mr. Snyder, from the committee appointed to arrange the various items of the Governor's message, made report, which was read as follows, viz.

That they have had the subject under consideration, and recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That so much of the Governor's message as relates to the Pennsylvania canal, the river Susquehanna, and the subject of inland navigation and internal improvement, be referred to the committee on inland navigation and internal improvement.

Resolved, That so much of the message as relates to the finances of the commonwealth, to loans, and the issuing of certificates of stock, be referred to the committee of ways and means.

Resolved, That so much of the message as relates to the penal laws; the revision of the laws relative to the circuit court system; sittings of the supreme court; rights of suffrage, and the consolidation of the laws, rules and practice of the orphans' courts, be referred to the committee on the judiciary system.

Resolved, That so much of the message as relates to the printing an additional number, and distribution of the pamphlet laws, be referred to a special committee.

Resolved, That so much of the message as relates to the volunteer associations of this commonwealth, and fort Mifflin, be referred to the committee on the militia system.

And, on motion,

The said report was read the second time.

And the 1st, 2d, and 3d resolutions were severally considered and adopted.

The 4th resolution was considered and adopted. And

Ordered, That Messrs. Snyder, Good, M'Sherry, Thompson and Kennedy be a committee for the purpose therein expressed.

The 5th resolution was considered and adopted.

Mr. M'Creery, from the committee on claims, made a report, (No. 17.) relative to the claim of Jacob Snider, accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That the committee be discharged from any further consideration of the subject. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

Mr. Ringland, from the committee to whom was, on yesterday, referred that item of unfinished business, reported a bill, No. 30, entitled,

"An act to incorporate the Franklin library company of Ten Mile, in the county of Washington."

Which bill was read, and

Laid on the table.

Mr. F. Smith, from the committee on the judiciary system, reported a bill, No. 31, entitled,

"An act to regulate proceedings of courts of justice in certain cases."

Which bill was read, and made the order of the day for Tuesday the 12th inst.

Mr. Meredith, from the committee for that purpose appointed, reported a bill, No. 32, entitled,

"An act to prevent certain abuses of the laws relative to fugitives from labor."

Which bill was read, and made the order of the day for Friday the 15th instant.

Mr. F. Smith, from the committee on the judiciary system, reported a bill, No. 33, entitled,

"An act relative to constable's fees."

Which bill was read, and made the order of the day for Wednesday the 13th instant.

Mr. Eldred, from the committee on education, reported a bill, No. 34, entitled,

"An act for the establishment of a college at Union Town, in the county of Fayette."

Mr. Meredith, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 6th instant, that item of unfinished business, reported a bill, No. 35, entitled,

"An act for the relief of the heirs and assigns of John Clarke."

Mr. Meredith, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 7th instant, a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill, No. 36, entitled,

"A supplement to an act, entitled An act for the relief of the creditors of the Harrisburg, Carlisle and Chambersburg turnpike road," passed on the 1st of April, 1823.

Mr. Irwin, from the committee to whom was, on yesterday, referred that item of unfinished business, reported a bill, No. 37, entitled,

"An act to annex part of Somerset county to Fayette county."

Mr. P. Stephens, from the committee to whom was, on yesterday, referred that item of unfinished business, reported a bill, No. 38, entitled,

"An act to authorise the Governor to incorporate a company for erecting a bridge over the river Susquehanna, near the north line of Pennsylvania, in Harmony township, Susquehanna county."

Mr. Bell, of Lebanon, from the committee to whom was, on yesterday, referred that item of unfinished business, reported a bill, No. 39, entitled,

"An act annexing part of Berks county, to the county of Lebanon."

Mr. Woolverton, from the committee to whom was, on yesterday, referred that item of unfinished business, reported a bill, No. 40, entitled,

"An act directing the commissioners of Venango county, to raise a sum of money to extinguish a debt due to the county of Warren."

Mr. Rankin, from the committee to whom was, on yesterday, referred that item of unfinished business, reported a bill, No. 41, entitled,

"An act erecting parts of Armstrong and Venango counties into a separate county, to be called Monroe."

Which bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

Agreeably to the order of the day,

The House proceeded to the nomination of candidates to be voted for on Tuesday next, the 12th inst. to supply the vacancy which will occur on the 4th of March next, in the representation

of this state in the Senate of the United States, in consequence of the expiration of the term for which William Findlay was chosen.

When

Mr. Ramsey nominated
M'Creery,
J. R. C. Smith,
F. Smith,
Rahn,
Buyers,
Overholzer,
J. Miller,

Samuel D. Ingham.
Isaac D. Barnard.
Joseph Hemphill.
William Findlay.
Joel B. Sutherland.
George B. Porter.
James Buchanan.
Alexander Mahon.

And

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate of the same.

Mr. Binder was appointed teller on the part of this House, to officiate at the election of a Senator of the United States on Tuesday next. And

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate of the same.

A motion was made by Mr. Meredith and Mr. M'Creery and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That the committee on the judiciary system be instructed to inquire into the expediency of providing a more convenient proceeding for the recovery of monies charged on lands. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

A motion was made by Mr. Rahn and Mr. Dillinger, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That the Speaker draw his warrant on the State Treasurer in favor of Hutter and Mueller, printers of the German Journal of this House, for four hundred dollars, to be accounted for in the settlement of their account. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

A motion was made by Mr. J. Miller and Mr. Wilson, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That the committee on the judiciary system, be instructed to inquire into what alterations (if any,) ought to be made in the existing laws relative to entering satisfaction on judgments. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

A motion was made by Mr. Irwin and Mr. M'Creery, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That the committee on the judiciary system be instructed to inquire into the expediency of providing by law for vesting in the several courts of quarter sessions of the commonwealth, or in the commissioners of the respective counties, power to erect election districts. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

A motion was made by Mr. Ellis and Mr. Petrikin, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That the 12th section of the act, entitled "A supplement to the acts incorporating the towns of Gettysburg, in the county of Adams; Meadville, in the county of Crawford, and Union Town, in the county of Fayette; and to incorporate the towns of Jersey Shore and Pennsborough, in the county of Lycoming, and for other purposes," passed the 15th day of March, 1826, be referred to a select committee, with leave to report by bill or otherwise. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted. And

Ordered, That Messrs. Ellis, M'Sherry and Irwin, be a committee for the purpose therein expressed.

Mr. Wilson obtained leave to withdraw the petition and documents of Robert Maxwell.

Mr. Cunningham, obtained leave to withdraw the petition and documents of George Rogers.

Mr. Ihrie, obtained leave to withdraw the petition and documents of Michael Opp, treasurer of Northampton county.

On motion of Mr. Boyer and Mr. Bertolet,

Ordered, That an item of unfinished business, relative to the claims of Andrew and David Fox, be referred to the committee on claims.

On motion of Mr. Ellis and Mr. Petrikin,

Ordered, That an item of unfinished business, relative to laying out a state road from Pennsborough to Berwick, be referred to the members from Columbia and Luzerne counties.

On motion of Mr. Boyer and Mr. Harrison,

Ordered, That an item of unfinished business, relative to hawkers and pedlars, be referred to the committee on the judiciary system.

On motion of Mr. Brown of Allegheny, and Mr. Fackenthall,

Ordered, That an item of unfinished business, relative to the erection of a poor house in Allegheny county, be referred to the members from Allegheny and Butler counties.

On motion of Mr. Wilson and Mr. Gebhart,

Ordered, That an item of unfinished business, relative to firing woods, be referred to Messrs. Wilson, J. Miller and Thomas.

On motion of Mr. Thomas and Mr. P. Stephens,

Ordered, That an item of unfinished business, relative to the improvement of a road from Shickshinny to the Plymouth township line, be referred to Messrs. Thomas, Mathewson and Shannon.

On motion of Mr. Woolverton and Mr. Cunningham,

Ordered, That an item of unfinished business, relative to the

Warren academy, be referred to Messrs. Woolverton, Aughinbaugh and Bell of Westmoreland.

On motion of Mr. Thomas and Mr. Mallery,

Ordered, That an item of unfinished business, relative to improving the state road from Wilkesbarre to Towanda, be referred to Messrs. Thomas, Petrikin and Beatty.

On motion of Mr. Ihrie and Mr. Kennedy,

Ordered, That an item of unfinished business, relative to granting premiums to poor children for good conduct and improvement in school learning, be referred to the committee on education.

On motion of Mr. Overholzer and Mr. Brown, of Lancaster,

Ordered, That an item of unfinished business, relative to the relief of John Thompson and Mary Nagle, be referred to the committee on claims.

On motion of Mr. Evans and Mr. Cope,

Ordered, That an item of unfinished business, relative to the extension of the act for raising a sum of money by way of lottery, in aid of the erection of a church in Limerick township, Montgomery county, be referred to the members from the said county.

On motion Mr. G. Bell and Mr. J. Miller,

Ordered, That an item of unfinished business, relative to the improvement of the navigation of the west branch of the river Susquehanna, be referred to the committee on inland navigation and internal improvement.

On motion of Mr. P. Stephens and Mr. Mallery,

Ordered, That an item of unfinished business, relative to the incorporation of the Wyoming coal company, be referred to Messrs. P. Stephens, Mallery, Woolverton, Mathewson and J. Stevens.

On motion of Mr. M'Clure and Mr. Bertolet,

Ordered, That an item of unfinished business, relative to improving the road from Charles Clendenning's, in Lycoming county, to Aaron Bloss', in Tioga county, be referred to Messrs. M'Clure, Bertolet and Woolverton.

On motion of Mr. Atkinson and Mr. G. Bell,

Ordered, That an item of unfinished business, relative to authorising the Governor to purchase from James Herriott, stock in the Susquehanna and Waterford turnpike road, be referred to the committee of ways and means.

On motion of Mr. J. Miller and Mr. Atkinson,

Ordered, That an item of unfinished business, relative to the settlement of the accounts of Christian Gleim, John Kelker and Peter Wenrich, deceased, late jailors of Dauphin county, be referred to Messrs. J. Miller, Atkinson, Madden, G. Miller and Pennypacker.

Adjourned until 10 o'clock on Monday morning next.

MONDAY, December 11, 1826.

Mr. Hottenstein, elected a Representative from Berks and Schuylkill counties, appearing in the House, took and subscribed the requisite oaths.

The Speaker laid before the House a statement, (No. 18,) of the affairs of the Philadelphia saving fund society.

Which was read, and

Laid on the table.

The Speaker laid before the House a letter (No. 19,) from the Surveyor General, accompanied with a statement, (No. 20,) of the business of his office for the last year.

On motion of Mr. F. Smith and Mr. Farrell,

Ordered, That the letter and statement of the Surveyor General, together with the letter and statement of the Secretary of the Land Office, read on the 8th inst. be referred to Messrs. F. Smith, Beatty, Kerr, Fackenthal and Cunningham.

Mr. Hergesheimer presented to the House a statement (No. 21,) of the affairs of the Chesnut hill and Spring-house turnpike road company.

Which was read, and

Laid on the table.

Mr. Brown of Allegheny, presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Findlay township, Allegheny county, praying that the place of holding their general elections may be changed to the house of John Charles.

Mr. Atkinson presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Rockdale township, Crawford county, praying that the place of holding their general elections may be changed to the house now occupied by David George.

And the said petitions were referred to the committee on election districts.

Mr. Binder presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of the city and county of Philadelphia, praying that the said city and county may be erected into two districts for the regulation of weights and measures.

Which was referred to the members from the city and county of Philadelphia.

Mr. Eldred presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Pike and Luzerne counties, praying that a company may be incorporated for the purpose of making a canal, rail road or slack water navigation, from the Susquehanna river, near the mouth of Lackawanna, to the Delaware river near Milford.

Which was referred to Messrs. Eldred, Thomas and M'Bride.

Mr. Barber presented the petition of Michael M'Millan, of

Lancaster county, accompanied with documents, stating his services in the revolutionary war, and praying relief.

Mr. Good presented the petition of Peter Fricker, of Berks county, praying compensation for a tract of donation land for his services in the revolutionary war.

And the said petitions and documents were referred to the committee on claims.

Mr. Bell of Lebanon presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of the county of Lebanon, praying for the incorporation of a bank in the borough of Lebanon.

Which was referred to the committee on banks.

Mr. Eldred presented the petition of Jacob S. Davis, of Wayne county, accompanied with documents, praying for a divorce from the bonds of matrimony.

Which were referred to Messrs. Eldred, Krepps and Thompson.

Mr. Barber presented a petition from sundry stockholders of the Columbia bridge company, praying for certain alterations in their act of incorporation. Which was

Laid on the table.

Mr. M'Creery, from the committee on claims, made a report, (No. 22,) relative to the claim of Rosina Peters, accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That the committee be discharged from the further consideration of the subject. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

Mr. M'Creery, from the committee on claims, made a report, (No. 23,) relative to the claim of John Allen, accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That the committee be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Which was read, and

Laid on the table.

Mr. Cummin, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 9th inst. a petition on the subject, reported a bill, No. 42, entitled "An act erecting all that part of Mifflin county, south and east of the Black Log and Shade mountains, into a separate county, to be called Juniata."

Mr. Meredith, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 9th inst. so much of the Governor's message as relates to the subject, reported (No. 43,) resolutions relative to the construction of a breakwater in the bay of Delaware.

Mr. M'Creery, from the committee on claims, reported a bill, No. 44, entitled "An act for the relief of John Davis and John Ohl, soldiers of the revolutionary war."

Mr. Boyd, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 9th inst. a petition on the subject, on leave given reported a bill, No. 45, entitled,

"An act to incorporate the stockholders of the Philadelphia Arcade.

Mr. M'Bride, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 7th inst. a petition on the subject, on leave given reported a bill, No. 46, entitled,

"An act granting compensation to James M'Clure, and Hezekiah Pancoast, for two hundred and fifty three acres and six perches of land certified to Connecticut claimants, in the seventeen townships of the county of Luzerne."

Mr. Duncan, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 7th inst. a petition on the subject, on leave given reported a bill, No. 47, entitled,

"An act to incorporate the trustees of the American Sunday School Union."

Mr. Tutwiler, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 8th inst. that item of unfinished business, reported a bill, No. 48, entitled,

"An act erecting the east end of Bedford county into a separate county, to be called Jackson."

Mr. P. Stephens, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 9th inst. that item of unfinished business, reported a bill, No. 49, entitled,

"An act to incorporate the Wyoming coal company."

Mr. Duncan, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 9th inst. a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill, No. 50, entitled,

"An act to annul the marriage contract of John Hale, alias John Hill, and Matilda his wife."

Mr. Barber, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 7th inst. a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill, No. 51, entitled,

"An act to annul the marriage of John Smith and Mary his wife."

Mr. Mathewson, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 8th inst. that item of unfinished business, reported a bill, No. 52, entitled,

"An act to authorise the Governor to incorporate a company to erect a bridge over the north east branch of the Susquehanna river, at or near the village of Athens, in the county of Bradford."

Mr. Cope, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 6th instant, that item of unfinished business, reported a bill, No. 53, entitled,

"An act making appropriations for the improvement of certain roads in Montgomery and Lehigh counties."

Mr. Tutwiler, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 8th inst. a petition on the subject, on leave given reported a bill, No. 54, entitled,

"A supplement to the act entitled An act making appropriations for certain internal improvements, and for other purposes."

Mr. Woolverton, from the committee to whom was referred, on

the 9th inst. that item of unfinished business, reported a bill, No. 55, entitled,

"A supplement to the act entitled An act to incorporate an academy or public school in the town of Warren, and for other purposes therein mentioned."

Mr. Ellis, from the committee appointed for that purpose on the 9th inst. reported a bill, No. 56, entitled,

"An act to incorporate the borough of Muncy, in Lycoming county."

Which bills and resolutions were read, and

Laid on the table.

Mr. Wilson, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 9th inst. that item of unfinished business, reported a bill, No. 57, entitled,

"A supplement to an act, entitled An act to prevent damages which may happen by firing the woods in this commonwealth."

Which bill was read, and made the order of the day for Monday the 18th instant.

Mr. Thomas read in his place and, on leave given, preselected to the chair, a bill, No. 58, entitled,

"An act granting compensation to Josiah Lewis, for certain lands certified to Connecticut claimants, in the seventeen townships, in the county of Luzerne."

Which bill was read, and

Laid on the table.

A motion was made by Mr. Rahn and Mr. Gebhart, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That the Auditor General be, and he is hereby required to report to this House, in addition to the duties enjoined on him by the 12th section of the act entitled "An act to provide for the commencement of a canal, to be constructed at the expense of the state, and to be styled 'The Pennsylvania canal,' passed 25th February, 1826," a detailed statement of monies paid to the canal commissioners, for services rendered by them respectively;—the number of persons employed in the engineer's department; their salary per year, or daily pay of each, respectively; and also the amount paid to persons claiming, who have been injured in consequence of the canal passing through their lands, stating particularly whether the said damages have been amicably adjusted or otherwise.

Laid on the table.

A motion was made by Mr. F. Smith and Mr. Rahn, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That the president or treasurer of the Union canal company of Pennsylvania be requested to make report to this House, before the first day of January next, exhibiting the whole amount of the nett proceeds of the lotteries authorised to be drawn for its benefit, and what is the present surplus of such proceeds, after paying the interest on the stock of the company, agreeably to the existing laws on the subject: and also what part

of such surplus has been expended in the completion of the works, or the payment of principal and interest on loans for that purpose. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

Agreeably to the order of the day,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Lehman in the chair, on the bill No. 1, entitled "An act concerning ground rents."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with amendments.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Brown of Allegheny in the chair, on the bill No. 2, entitled "An act to enable the Governor to appoint a notary public, in the incorporated district of Kensington."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill without amendment.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Duncan in the chair, on the bill No. 3, entitled,

"An act declaring Sinking creek, in Centre county, a public highway from its mouth to Christian Keller's mill."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill without amendment.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. M'Sherry in the chair, on the bill No. 4, entitled

"A further supplement to the act entitled An act authorising the Governor to incorporate four companies for making an artificial road from the town of Washington, in this state, to intersect the Harrisburg and Pittsburg turnpike road at or near the town of Bedford," passed the 18th day of March, 1816.

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill without amendment.

Adjourned until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

TUESDAY, December 12, 1826.

Mr. Wise, elected a Representative from Westmoreland county, appearing in the House, took and subscribed the requisite oaths.

Mr. Beatty presented the petition of John Negley, of Butler county, accompanied with documents, praying compensation for a certain tract of donation land therein mentioned.

Mr. Harrison presented the petition of William Kinsey, of Bucks county, accompanied with documents, stating his services in the revolutionary war, and praying relief.

Mr. Scudder presented the petition of Peter Seitz, of Northumberland county, accompanied with a document, stating his services in the revolutionary war, and praying relief.

And the said petitions and documents were referred to the committee on claims.

Mr. Gebhart presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Somerset county, praying that the Somerset and Bedford turnpike road company may be authorised to receive toll on that part of the road lying upon the summit of the Dry Ridge.

Which was laid on the table.

Mr. Whitlatch presented the petition of Reuben Sayers, of Greene county, praying that a law may be passed giving a deed executed by him for a certain tract of land therein mentioned, the same force and effect which a common recovery would have.

Which was referred to Messrs. Whitlatch, Kerr and Nicholson.

Mr. J. Stevens presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Montgomery and Bucks counties, praying for the passage of a law to authorise illegitimate children to inherit the estates of their mothers in common with legitimate children.

Which was referred to the committee on the judiciary system.

Mr. Barber presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Lancaster county, praying for the incorporation of the Lancaster county academy, and also for legislative aid to the said academy.

Which was referred to the members from the said county.

Mr. M^cCreery, from the committee on claims, made a report, (No. 24,) relative to the claim of Thomas Abbot, accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That the committee be discharged from the further consideration of the subject, and that the petitioner have leave to withdraw his petition and documents. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

Mr. Rahn, from the committee of accounts, made a report, (No. 25,) relative to the account of the Clerk of this House, accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That the Speaker draw his warrant on the State Treasurer, in favour of Francis R. Shunk, for eleven hundred thirty-one dollars and eighteen cents, the above balance. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

Mr. M'Creery, from the committee on claims, made a report, (No. 26,) relative to the claim of Dennis Carroll, accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That the committee be discharged from the further consideration of the subject. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

Mr. F. Smith, from the committee on the judiciary system, made a report, (No. 27,) relative to the petition of Daniel Herbein, accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That the committee be discharged from any further consideration of the subject. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

Mr. M'Creery, from the committee on claims, made a report, (No. 28,) relative to the claim of Susanna Horn, accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That the committee be discharged from the further consideration of the subject. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

Mr. M'Creery, from the committee on claims, reported a bill, No. 59, entitled,

"An act for the relief of Mary Nagle and Catharine Miller, widows of revolutionary soldiers."

Which bill was read, and

Laid on the table.

Mr. F. Smith, from the committee on the judiciary system, reported a bill, No. 60, entitled,

"An act providing a mode of enforcing the payment of monies charged on any lands, tenements or hereditaments, by last will or testament.

Which bill was read, and made the order of the day for Monday the 18th instant.

Mr. M'Clure from the committee to whom was referred, on the 9th inst. that item of unfinished business, reported a bill, No. 61, entitled,

"An act entitled An act for the improvement of the road leading from Charles Clendenning's, in Lycoming county, to Aaron Bloss', in Tioga county."

Mr. Eldred, from the committee to whom was, on yesterday, re-

ferred a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill, No. 62, entitled,

"An act to annul the marriage contract of Jacob S. Davis and Sarah Ann, his wife."

Mr. Eldred, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 6th inst. that item of unfinished business, reported a bill, No. 63, entitled,

"An act to establish an academy in the town of Milford, in the county of Pike."

Mr. Thomas, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 9th inst. that item of unfinished business, reported a bill, No. 64, entitled,

"An act to improve a certain public road in Plymouth, Union and Salem townships, in Luzerne county."

Mr. Thomas, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 9th inst. that item of unfinished business, reported a bill, No. 65, entitled,

"An act to improve a road from Wilkesbarre, in Luzerne county, to Towanda, in Bradford county."

Mr. Duncan, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 8th inst. a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill, No. 66, entitled,

"A supplement to the act, entitled An act to provide for the education of children at the public expense, within the city and county of Philadelphia." passed the 3d of March, 1818.

Which bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

Mr. F. Smith, from the committee on the judiciary system, reported a bill, No. 67, entitled,

"A further supplement to an act regulating hawkers and pedlars."

Which bill was read, and made the order of the day for Saturday the 16th instant.

Mr. Bonner, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 8th inst. that item of unfinished business, reported a bill, No. 68, entitled,

"An act to provide for the settlement of the concerns of the Farmers' and Mechanics' bank of Greencastle."

Mr. Cunningham, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 6th inst. a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill, No. 69, entitled,

"An act authorising James Watson to sell and convey a tract of land, in Bedford county, of which Samuel Moore died seized."

Mr. Overholzer, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 8th inst. that item of unfinished business, reported a bill, No. 70, entitled,

"An act authorising the commissioners of Lancaster county to sue in the name and style of the commissioners of Lancaster county, and prescribing that no person subject to county rates and levies, shall be disqualified, for that reason, from being judge, juror or witness in such suit."

Mr. Bertolet read in his place, and on leave given, presented to the chair a bill, No. 71, entitled,

"A supplement to the act entitled An act to provide for the erection of a house of employment and support of the poor, in and for the county of Berks, and for other purposes."

Which bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

Mr. Shannon read in his place, and on leave given, presented to the chair a bill, No. 72, entitled,

"An act explanatory of and to amend an act, entitled An act to amend and consolidate, with its supplements, the act entitled, An act for the recovery of debts and demands not exceeding one hundred dollars, before a justice of the peace, and for the election of constables, and for other purposes."

Which bill was read, and made the order of the day for Tuesday, the 19th inst.

A motion was made by Mr. Lehman and Mr. J. R. C. Smith, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That the committee on inland navigation and internal improvement be instructed to consider the expediency of requiring the board of canal commissioners to employ an engineer, to examine the country between Easton and Bristol, on the Delaware, and also between Carpenter's Point and Easton, with a view of connecting those points, either by improvements in the channel of the river, or by an artificial canal. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

A motion was made by Mr. Brown of Allegheny and Mr. Fackenthal, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That the committee on the judiciary system be and they are hereby directed to bring in a bill, granting compensation to the commissioners appointed in accordance with a resolution of the last legislature, for the purpose of revising the penal code of this commonwealth.

Laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Whitlatch and Mr. Tutwiler,

Ordered, That an item of unfinished business, relative to a state road from Waynesburg to Washington, be referred to the members from Greene and Washington counties.

On motion of Mr. Matts and Mr. Harrison,

Ordered, That an item of unfinished business, relative to the education of the poor in the county of Bucks, be referred to the members from the said county.

On motion of Mr. G. Miller and Mr. Dillinger,

Ordered, That an item of unfinished business, relative to annexing a part of Berks county to the county of Lehigh, be referred to the members from the said counties.

The bill No. 1, entitled "An act concerning ground rents," was read the second time.

And the first section being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Meredith and Mr. Harrison, to amend the same by inserting after "one," in the 10th line, "half," and by inserting in the 26th line, after "that," the word "half."

Which was disagreed to.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the first section?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Irwin and Mr. Krepps, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. Good	Mr. H. Miller
Alter	Haines	J. Miller
Atkinson	Harrison	R. Miller
Aughinbaugh	Hergesheimer	Overholzer
Barber	Hottenstein	Patterson
Bell, Leb.	Ihrie	Pearson
Binder	James	Pennypacker
Bonner	Kennedy	Petrikin
Bonsall	Kerr	Rahn
Boyd	Knight	Ramsey
Boyer	Lawson	Rankin
Brown, Allegh.	Lehman	Ringland
Brown, Lan.	M'Bride	Shaunon
Burden	M'Clure	J. R. C. Smith
Buyers	M'Creery	P. Stephens
Cope	M'Ewen	Thomas
Cunningham	M'Sherry	Thompson
Dorrance	Madden	Tutwiler
Duncan	Mallery	Whitlatch
Dunlap	Matheys, Mont.	Wilson
Ellis	Mathews, Cam.	Wolfersberger
Evans	Mathewson	Woolverton
W. Forster	Matts	Ritner, Sp'r.
W. B. Foster	Meredith	

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NAYS.

Mr. Beatty	Mr. Dillinger	Mr. G. Miller
Becker	Fackenthall	Nicholson
G. Bell	Farrell	F. Smith
Bell, West.	Gebhart	Snyder
Bertolet	Hetrick	Walker
Cooper	Irwin	Wise
Cummin	Krepps	Wolford
Denny	Lauman	

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So the question was determined in the affirmative.

A motion was then made by Mr. Meredith and Mr. M'Creery, to postpone the further consideration of the bill until to-morrow.

Which was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Brown of Allegheny and Mr. Snyder,
Ordered, That Mr. Brown and Mr. Bonsall be a committee to introduce the Speaker and members of the Senate, into the chamber of the House of Representatives, at 12 o'clock this day, in order to proceed to the election of a senator, to represent this state in the Senate of the United States, in the room of William Findlay, whose term will expire on the 3d of March next.

On motion,

The House adjourned until 12 o'clock.

SAME DAY.

The Speaker and members of the Senate being introduced, took their seats.

After some time,

The Senate having withdrawn, Mr. Binder, teller on the part of the House to officiate at the election of United States senator, made report: (No. 29.)

That according to the provisions of the act of the 5th February, 1802, the convention, consisting of the Speaker and members of the Senate and the Speaker and members of the House of Representatives, met in the chamber of the House of Representatives, and proceeded to the election of a senator to represent this state in the Senate of the United States: that it appeared upon the second vote, that Isaac D. Barnard, of Chester county, was duly elected; and that thereupon, the certificates of election, as required by law, were signed by the president and tellers.

One of the said certificates was then read as follows, viz.

I do hereby certify, that the members of the Senate and the members of the House of Representatives, of the General Assembly of the commonwealth of Pennsylvania, having assembled in the Representative chamber, on Tuesday, the twelfth day of December, one thousand eight hundred and twenty six, for the purpose of choosing a senator to represent the said commonwealth in the Senate of the United States, did, by a majority of votes, choose Isaac D. Barnard, of the county of Chester; and the said Isaac D. Barnard is hereby accordingly declared to be duly chosen a senator to represent the said commonwealth in the Senate of the United States.

Witness my hand this twelfth day of December, A. D. 1826.

ALEXANDER MAHON, *President.*

Attest,

Z. HERBERT, *Teller on part of the Senate.*

W. BINDER, *Teller on part of the House of Representatives.*

Laid on the table.

Adjourned until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

WEDNESDAY, December 13, 1826.

Mr. H. Miller obtained leave of absence for a few days.

The Speaker laid before the House a letter from the treasurer of the Philadelphia Bible society, accompanied with the eighteenth report of the said society.

Which letter was read, and

Laid on the table.

Mr. Wise presented the petition of Adam Weaver, of Westmoreland county, stating his services in the revolutionary war, and praying relief.

Mr. Lawson presented the petition of John Brown, of Armstrong county, accompanied with documents, stating his services in the revolutionary war, and praying relief.

Mr. Wise presented the petition of Jacob Waters, of Westmoreland county, accompanied with documents, stating his services in the revolutionary war, and praying relief.

Mr. Wise presented the petition of Charles Richart, of Westmoreland county, accompanied with documents, stating his services in the revolutionary war, and praying relief.

Mr. Wise presented the petition of George Selders, of Westmoreland county, accompanied with documents, stating his services in the revolutionary war, and praying relief.

And the said petitions and documents were referred to the committee on claims.

Mr. Wise presented four petitions, of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of Westmoreland county, praying for the repeal of the act authorising a review of the old state road, from Johnstown, in Cambria county, to New Alexandria, in Westmoreland county.

Which were referred to the members from the said counties.

Mr. Farrell presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Westmoreland county, praying for the repeal of the act authorising the laying out of a state road from Indiana to Murraysville.

Which was referred to the members from Westmoreland county.

Mr. Ihrie presented three petitions, of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of Northampton and the adjoining counties, praying for an appropriation in aid of improving the road across the Lehigh hills, opposite Bethlehem. Which were

Laid on the table.

Mr. Atkinson presented the memorial of the trustees of Allegheny college, praying for Legislative aid.

Which was referred to Messrs. Atkinson, Duncan, Woolverton, Shannon and Ringland.

Mr. Lawson presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Armstrong county, praying for the passage of a law granting a premium for the destruction of foxes and wildcats.

Which was referred to Messrs. Lawson, Woolverton and M^r Bride.

Mr. Dillinger presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Lehigh and Northampton counties, praying for an appropriation in aid of improving the navigation of Big creek, in Northampton county.

Which was referred to the members of Lehigh, Northampton, Wayne and Pike counties.

Mr. Kerr, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 8th inst. an item of unfinished business, relative to the erection of a new county out of parts of Washington, Fayette, Westmoreland and Allegheny counties, made a report, (No. 30,) accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That the committee be discharged from any further consideration of the subject. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, and being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Wise and Mr. Farrell, to postpone the same for the purpose of introducing the following as a substitute, viz.

Resolved, That the committee be directed to bring in a bill granting the prayer of the petitioners.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to postpone the original resolution for the purpose of introducing the substitute ?

It was determined in the affirmative.

And the substitute was adopted.

Mr. Alter, from the committee on agriculture, reported a bill, No. 73, entitled

"An act to improve the breed of sheep in this commonwealth."

Which bill was read, and made the order of the day for Wednesday, the 20th inst.

Mr. M^rCreery, from the committee on claims, reported a bill, No. 74, entitled,

"An act granting compensation to Peter Fricker and Adam Koch, for donation tracts to which they are entitled."

Mr. Barber, from the committee to whom was, on yesterday, referred a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill, No. 75, entitled,

"An act incorporating the Lancaster county academy."

Mr. Whitlatch, from the committee to whom was, on yesterday, referred a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill, No. 76, entitled

"An act relative to a certain deed executed by Reuben Sayers to Henry Luse, of Greene county."

Which bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

A motion was made by Mr. Meredith and Mr. Bonsall, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That the committee on the judiciary system be instructed to inquire into the expediency of giving to the consuls of the United States, in foreign countries, power to take acknowledgements of deeds and other instruments, made abroad. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

On motion of Mr. Dunlap and Mr. Alter,

Ordered, That an item of unfinished business, relative to the incorporation of the Theological Seminary of the German reformed church, be referred to the committee on education.

On motion of Mr. Bonsall and Mr. Boyd,

Ordered, That an item of unfinished business, relative to notaries public, be referred to the members from the city and county of Philadelphia.

On motion of Mr. Dorrance and Mr. Snyder,

Ordered, That an item of unfinished business, relative to the claim of William M'Gonigle, be referred to Messrs. Dorrance, Snyder and Agnew.

Mr. Brown of Allegheny, obtained leave to withdraw the petition and documents of Archibald Pegan.

The House resumed the second reading of the bill No. 1, entitled,

“An act concerning ground rents.”

And the 2d, 3d, 4th, 5th, and 6th sections were severally considered and agreed to.

When a motion was made by Mr. Boyd and Mr. Duncan, to amend the bill by adding thereto the following new section, viz.

Section 7. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid*, That from and after the passing of this act, in all cases between the grantor and grantee of any messuage or messuages, lands, tenements and hereditaments, or of any lot or piece of ground, in the indenture or other assurance whereof there is a reservation or covenant for the payment of an annual ground rent, it shall and may be lawful for the grantee of such property, his heirs or assigns, to pay to the grantor or landlord, his heirs or assigns, at any time after the execution of such covenant, such sum or sums of money as shall be equivalent to the principal of the ground rent, calculating the same at the rate of six per cent. per annum, together with the arrears of ground rent and interest, if any be due thereon, upon which payment being made, the ground rent upon said property shall cease and determine; and should the said landlord, his heirs or assigns, refuse to receive such equivalent and payment as aforesaid, it being tendered in the presence of two lawful witnesses, the said grantor or landlord, his heirs and assigns, shall not be entitled to recover by any suit at law such ground rent, but the same shall be considered as extinguished and released.

The new section being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Boyd and Mr. Irwin, to postpone

the further consideration of the same, together with the bill, and that the new section be printed for the use of the members.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Boyd and Mr. Tutwiler, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Agnew
Atkinson
Beatty
Becker
G. Bell
Bell, Leb.
Bell, West.
Binder
Bonner
Boyd
Brown, Allegh.
Brown, Lan.
Burden
Buyers
Cooper
Cope
Cummin
Cunningham
Denny

Mr. Dillinger
Dorrance
Duncan
Dunlap
Eldred
Evans
Fackenthall
Farrell
W. Forster
Hergesheimer
Hetrick
Hottenstein
Ihrle
Irwin
Kennedy
Kerr
Knight
Krepps
Lauman

Mr. M'Creery
M'Sherry
Matheys, Mont.
Mathewson
G. Miller
J. Miller
Nicholson
Overholzer
Rahn
Rankin
Ringland
Scudder
Shannon
F. Smith
Snyder
Tutwiler
Whitlatch
Wise
Wolfersberger

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NAYS.

Mr. Alter
Aughinbaugh
Barber
Bertolet
Boyer
W. B. Foster
Good
Haines
Harrison
James
Lawson
Lehman

Mr. M'Bride
M'Ewen
Madden
Mallery
Mathews, Cam.
Matts
Meredith
R. Miller
Patterson
Pennypacker
Petrikin

Mr. Ramsey
J. R. C. Smith
P. Stephens
J. Stephens
Thomas
Thompson
Walker
Wilson
Wolford
Woolverton
Ritner, Sp'r.

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So the question was determined in the affirmative.

The bills entitled as follow, were severally read the second time, considered and agreed to, and ordered to be transcribed for the third reading, viz.

No. 2, "An act to enable the Governor to appoint a notary public, in the incorporated district of Kensington."

No. 8, "An act declaring Sinking creek, in Centre county, a public highway from its mouth to Christian Keller's mill."

No. 4, "A further supplement to the act, entitled An act authorising the Governor to incorporate four companies for making an artificial road from the town of Washington, in this state, to intersect the Harrisburg and Pittsburg turnpike road, at or near the town of Bedford," passed the 18th day of March, 1816.

Agreeably to the order of the day,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Kennedy in the chair, on the bill No. 29, entitled

"A further supplement to the act, entitled An act to amend and consolidate with its supplements, the act entitled An act for the recovery of debts and demands not exceeding one hundred dollars, and for other purposes," passed 20th March, 1810.

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the first section negatived.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the report of the committee of the whole?

A motion was made by Mr. Rahn and Mr. Boyer, to postpone the question, together with the bill, for the present.

Which was agreed to.

Agreeably to the order of the day,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Alter in the chair, on the bill No. 31, entitled,

"An act to regulate proceedings of courts of justice in certain cases."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with one amendment.

Agreeably to the order of the day,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. M'Creery in the chair, on the bill No. 33, entitled,

"An act relative to constable's fees."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill without amendment.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Lawson in the chair, on the bill No. 5, entitled,

"An act authorising the Governor to incorporate the Schuylkill Valley navigation company."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with amendments.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, presented the following extracts from their journal, viz.

"IN THE SENATE, DECEMBER 13, 1826.

On motion,

Messrs. Leech, Moore and Duncan, were appointed a committee to confer with a similar committee of the House of Represen-

tatives, (already appointed,) to confer on the propriety and the manner of electing Chaplains to the General Assembly.

"IN THE SENATE,

DECEMBER 13, 1826.

On motion,

Messrs. Ogle, Winter and Ray, were appointed a committee on the part of the Senate, to join a committee of the House of Representatives, if that House should appoint such committee, to fix on the time and place of opening and publishing the returns of the election for Governor, held throughout the commonwealth on the second Tuesday of October last.

Laid on the table.

Adjourned until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.



THURSDAY, December 14, 1826.

On leave given,

A motion was made by Mr. Denny and Mr. Knight, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, that a committee be appointed on the part of this House, to join a committee of the Senate, to fix on the time and place of opening and publishing the returns of the election of Governor, held throughout the commonwealth, on the 2nd Tuesday of October last. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted. And

Ordered, That Messrs. Denny, Agnew and Pearson be a committee for the purpose therein expressed, and that the clerk inform the Senate of the same.

Mr. M'Clure, Mr. Scudder and Mr. J. Miller obtained leave of absence for a few days.

Mr. Overholzer presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Lancaster county, praying for the repeal of the act relative to collateral inheritances. Which was

Laid on the table.

Mr. Wise presented the petition of Robert Hunter and Ann his wife, late Ann Sloan, only child of lieutenant David Sloan, late of Westmoreland county, deceased, accompanied with documents, praying that the arrears of a pension granted to the wife of the said David, for his services in the revolutionary war, may be paid to them.

Mr. Brown of Allegheny presented the petition of Archibald Pegan, of Allegheny county, accompanied with documents, stating his services in the revolutionary war, and praying relief.

And the said petitions and documents were referred to the committee on claims.

Mr. Shannon presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Beaver county, praying for a review of the road from the east end of the Beaver bridge, to the west end of the Allegheny bridge, and also that the unappropriated monies due to the commonwealth upon out lots, near the town of Beaver, may be applied to the improvement of the said road.

Which was referred to Messrs. Shannon, Woolverton and Cunningham.

Mr. M'Sherry presented the petition of Samuel Register Smith, of Adams county, accompanied with a document, praying the state to purchase from him a certain patent right therein mentioned.

Which was referred to the committee of ways and means.

Mr. Mallery presented five petitions, of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of Luzerne, Northampton and Lehigh counties, praying that a company may be incorporated for the purpose of making a turnpike road from Wilkesbarre to Allentown.

Which were referred to Messrs. Mallery, P. Stephens and G. Miller.

Mr. M'Creery, from the committee on claims, made a report, (No. 31.) relative to the claim of Mary Murray, accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That the committee be discharged from the further consideration of the subject. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, and being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. F. Smith and Mr. Duncan, to postpone the same for the purpose of introducing the following as a substitute, viz.

Resolved, That the committee be instructed to bring in a bill conformably to the prayer of the petitioner.

And on the question,

Will the House agree so to postpone?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. M'Creery and Mr. F. Smith and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Atkinson
Aughinbaugh
Barber
Beatty
G. Bell
Bell, West.
Binder
Bonner

Mr. Boyd
Burden
Cunningham
Denny
Duncan
Dunlap
Eldred
Ellis

Mr. Farrell
W. B. Foster
Good
Haines
Harrison
Hergesheimer
Hottenstein
Ihrle

YEAS.

Mr. Knight	Mr. J. Miller	Mr. Snyder
Krepps	Patterson	P. Stephens
Lauman	Pearson	Thomas
Lehman	Petrikina	Tutwiler
M'Ewen	Rahn	Walker
Mallery	Shannon	Wise
Matheys, Mont.	F. Smith	Woolverton
Mathewson	J. R. C. Smith	

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NAYS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. Fackenthall	Mr. Meredith
Alter	W. Forster	G. Miller
Becker	Gebhart	Nicholson
Bell, Leb.	Hetrick	Overholzer
Bertolet	Irwin	Pennypacker
Bonsall	James	Ramsey
Boyer	Kennedy	Rankin
Brown, Allegh.	Kerr	Ringland
Brown, Lan.	Lawson	J. Stevens
Buyers	M'Bride	Thompson
Cooper	M'Creery	Whitlatch
Cope	M'Sherry	Wilson
Cummin	Madden	Wolfersberger
Dillinger	Mathews, Cam.	Wolford
Dorrance	Matts	Ritner, Sp'r.
Evans		

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So the question was determined in the affirmative.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the substitute?

A motion was made by Mr. M'Creery and Mr. Gebhart, to postpone the question, together with the substitute, for the present.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Kerr, from the committee appointed for the purpose on yesterday, reported a bill, No. 77, entitled "An act erecting parts of the counties of Washington, Fayette, Westmoreland and Allegheny into a separate county, to be called St. Clair county."

Which bill was read, and

Laid on the table.

Mr. Irwin, from the committee appointed for the purpose, on the 8th inst. reported a bill, No. 78, entitled "A supplement to an act for laying out, making and keeping in repair the public roads and highways within this commonwealth, and for laying out private roads.

Which bill was read, and made the order of the day for Thursday, the 21st inst.

Mr. Farrel, from the committee to whom was, on yesterday, referred a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill, No. 79, entitled

"An act to repeal an act for laying out a state road from the borough of Indiana, by way of Port Johnson, to intersect the turnpike at or near Murraysville, in Westmoreland county.

Mr Whitlatch, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 12th inst. that item of unfinished business, reported a bill, No. 80, entitled,

"An act to open a state road from the borough of Waynesburg, in Greene county, to the borough of Washington, in Washington county."

Which bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

Mr. Ellis, from the committee appointed to prepare rules for the government of this House, made a report, (No. 32,) accompanied with a bill, No. 81, entitled, "An act to continue in force the rules of the Senate and House of Representatives."

Which were read, and made the order of the day for Saturday, the 16th inst.

Mr. Denny, from the committee appointed this morning, to confer with a committee of the Senate, respecting the time, place and manner of ascertaining and declaring the returns of the election of Governor, made report, which was read as follows, viz.

That they recommend the adoption of the following resolutions to their respective houses :

Resolved, That the returns of the election for Governor shall be opened and published by the Speaker of the Senate, in the presence of both houses of the Legislature, on this day, at half past eleven o'clock in the forenoon, in the chamber of the House of Representatives, and that each house shall previously appoint one of its members a teller to cast up the votes.

Resolved, That upon the publication of the votes for Governor, by the Speaker of the Senate, a certificate of the election shall be made out, and signed by the Speaker of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives, in the following form, to wit :

"We, the Speaker of the Senate and Speaker of the House of Representatives of the commonwealth of Pennsylvania, do certify that the Speaker of the Senate did, on the _____ day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty-six, in the chamber of the House of Representatives, in the State Capitol, open the returns of the election for Governor of this commonwealth, and publish the same in the presence of the members of both Houses of the Legislature, conformably to the constitution of this commonwealth, and that upon counting the votes by a teller appointed on the part of each House, it appears that _____ had a majority of votes, whereupon the said _____ was declared to have been duly elected Governor of the said commonwealth. In testimony whereof we have hereto set our hands and seals the day and year first before written.

Resolved, That the said certificate shall be deposited by the Speaker of the Senate in the office of the Secretary of the Com-

monwealth, and there recorded, and a duplicate thereof, attested by the Speakers of both Houses, be transmitted to the Governor elect.

Resolved, That twelve o'clock at noon be the hour fixed for the inauguration of the Governor elect, on Tuesday next, in the chamber of the House of Representatives.

And

On motion,

The said resolutions were read the second time, considered and adopted. And

Ordered, That Mr. Atkinson be appointed teller on the part of this House, with a member of the Senate, to make a list of the votes as the same shall be declared, and that the Clerk inform the Senate of the same.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, presented for concurrence the bills entitled as follow, viz.

No. 82. "An act for the relief of Matthias Rohr, a soldier, and Hannah Margaret Kemmel, the widow of a soldier of the revolution."

No. 83. "An act to alter the times of holding the courts in the counties of Montgomery, Greene and Clearfield."

Which bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

The Clerk of the Senate also presented an extract from their journal, which was read as follows, viz.

"IN THE SENATE,

DECEMBER 14, 1826.

The report of the committee appointed to confer with a committee of the House of Representatives, respecting the time, place and manner of ascertaining and declaring the election of Governor, was read a second time, considered and adopted. And

Ordered, That Mr. Sullivan be appointed teller on the part of the Senate, with a member of the House of Representatives, to make a list of the votes as the same shall be declared."

Laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Duncan and Mr. Ellis,

Ordered, That Mr. Duncan and Mr. Kennedy be a committee for the purpose of introducing the Speaker and members of the Senate, into the chamber of this House, for the purpose of opening and publishing the returns of the votes for Governor of the commonwealth.

On motion of Mr. Bonsall and Mr. Barber,

The House proceeded to the nomination of candidates for the directors of the Columbia bridge company, and of the bank of Pennsylvania and Philadelphia bank.

When,

For the Columbia Bridge company,
Mr. M'Creery nominated

John Forrey, jr.

For the Philadelphia Bank,

Mr. Knight nominated
Bonsall, "

Michael Riter,
James M. Linnard.

For the Bank of Pennsylvania,

Mr. Ramsey nominated
Boyd, "
Burden, "
Binder, "
Boyd, "
Duncan, "

John H. Palethorpe,
John R. Neff,
Alexander Cook,
Elijah Vansykle,
Mathew Carey.
Chandler Price,

The Speaker and members of the Senate being introduced, took their seats.

And after some time, the Senate having retired, Mr. Atkinson, teller on the part of this House, delivered to the chair a list (No. 33,) of the votes of the election for Governor of this commonwealth, as the same was declared by the Speaker of the Senate, in the presence of the members of both Houses of the Legislature.

Which was read, and

Laid on the table.

A motion was made by Mr. Irwin and Mr. Krepps, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That a committee of three members be appointed, to join a similar committee of the Senate, if the Senate shall appoint such committee, to attend the Governor elect on Tuesday next, at his residence in Harrisburg, and accompany him to the hall of the House of Representatives, when the members of both Houses are convened; where the Speaker of the Senate, or in his absence, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, shall administer the usual oaths of office to the Governor elect, which being done, the Governor shall be publicly declared by the reading of a copy of the certificate of his election, by the Clerk of the Senate. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted. And

Ordered, That Messrs. Irwin, Hoyer and Boyd, be a committee for the purpose therein expressed, and that the clerk inform the Senate of the same.

Adjourned until 10 o'clock on Monday morning next.

FRIDAY, December 15, 1826.

Mr. Snyder presented a petition from the directors of the Kensington bank, in the county of Philadelphia, praying that the Governor may be authorised to appoint a notary public for the district of Kensington.

Mr. Kennedy presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Northampton and Bucks counties, praying for an appropriation in aid of improving the road across the Lehigh hills, opposite to Bethlehem.

Mr. Patterson presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Mifflin county, praying for a division of the said county.

And the said petitions were

Laid on the table.

Mr. Meredith presented a memorial from the board of managers of the house of refuge, praying that the commissioners of the county of Philadelphia may be authorised to lease to them the Prune street prison, in the city of Philadelphia.

Which was referred to the members from the city and county of Philadelphia.

Mr. Eldred presented the petition of Daniel J. Rhoads and others, of the city of Philadelphia, praying for the incorporation of the Carbon mining company.

Which was referred to Messrs. Eldred, Ellis and Bonsall.

Mr. Overholzer presented a petition from sundry venders of lottery tickets in the city of Lancaster, praying that a proportionate tax may be levied on lottery brokers in this commonwealth, and that they may be authorised to sell foreign lottery tickets.

Which was read, and referred to the committee of ways and means.

Mr. Denny presented two petitions, of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of Allegheny county, praying that resolutions may be adopted, requesting the Senators and Representatives from this state, in Congress, to aid in the passage of a general bankrupt law.

Which were read and referred to the committee on the judiciary system.

Mr. Overholzer presented two petitions, of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of Lancaster county, praying for the repeal of the act relative to collateral inheritances.

When a motion was made by Mr. Overholzer and Mr. J. Stevens, that the said petitions, together with sundry petitions, of similar tenor, heretofore presented, be referred to a select committee.

The motion being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Knight and Mr. Lawson, to amend the same by striking therefrom "select committee," and inserting in lieu thereof "committee of ways and means."

Which was agreed to.

And the motion as amended was agreed to.

Mr. Irwin presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Fayette county, praying for certain alterations in the law authorizing the laying out of a state road from Union town, through Perryopolis and Elizabeth town, to Pittsburg.

Which was referred to the members from Fayette, Allegheny and Westmoreland counties.

Mr. Shannon presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Allegheny, Beaver and Washington counties, praying that a state road may be laid from the Virginia state line at or near the farm of James Crop, in Beaver county, through Clinton, in Allegheny county, to the Pittsburg and Steubenville turnpike road.

Which was referred to the members from the said counties.

Mr. M'Creery, from the committee on claims, made a report, (No. 34,) relative to the claim of Thomas Bodley, accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That the committee be discharged from any further consideration of the subject. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

Mr. M'Creery, from the committee on claims, made a report, (No. 35,) relative to the claim of William Kinsey, accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That the committee be discharged from any further consideration of the subject.

Which was read, and

Laid on the table.

Mr. Snyder, from the committee on banks, reported the bills entitled as follow, viz.

No. 84, "An act to incorporate the Schuylkill bank, in the county of Schuylkill."

No. 85, "An act to establish a bank in the county of Lebanon."

Mr. Brown, of Allegheny, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 9th inst. that item of unfinished business, reported a bill,

No. 86, entitled "An act to provide for the erection of a house for the employment and support of the poor in the county of Allegheny."

Mr. Eldred, from the committee on education, reported a bill,

No. 87, entitled "An act to incorporate the theological seminary of the German reformed church of the United States of America."

Which bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

Mr. F. Smith, from the committee on the judiciary system, reported a bill,

No. 88, entitled "An act to declare the uses of certain bonds."

Which bill was read, and made the order of the day for the 1st Monday of January next.

Mr. Matts, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 12th inst. that item of unfinished business, reported a bill,

No. 89, entitled "An act to provide more effectually for the education of the poor, gratis, so far as relates to the county of Bucks."

Which bill was read, and

Laid on the table.

Mr. F. Smith, from the committee on the judiciary system, reported a bill,

No. 90, entitled "An act concerning the proof and acknowledgment of deeds made abroad."

Which bill was read, and made the order of the day for Wednesday, the 20th inst.

Mr. Atkinson, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 9th inst. a petition on the subject, on leave given reported a bill,

No. 91, entitled "An act vesting certain powers in the administrators of the estate of William Elliott, deceased."

Mr. Atkinson, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 8th inst. that item of unfinished business, reported a bill,

No. 92, entitled "An act for the relief of James Lowry, assignee of David Thurston."

Which bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

Mr. Wise read in his place, and on leave given, presented to the chair a bill,

No. 93, entitled "An act establishing a lottery, to be styled the Pennsylvania State lottery."

Which bill was read,

When on motion of Mr. Meredith and Mr. Lehman,

Ordered, That the same be committed to the committee of ways and means.

Mr. Eldred read in his place, and, on leave given, presented to the chair a bill,

No. 94, entitled "An act to revive, continue in force and amend, an act, entitled An act to authorise the Governor to incorporate the president, managers and company of the Mount Pleasant turnpike road of Wayne county."

Which bill was read, and

Laid on the table.

Mr. Cunningham read in his place, and on leave given, presented to the chair, a bill,

No. 95, entitled "A supplement to the several acts of Assembly, directing the mode of selling unseated lands for taxes.

Which bill was read,

And on motion of Mr. Irwin and Mr. Ellis,

Ordered, That the same be committed to the committee on the judiciary system.

Mr. Woolverton read in his place, and on leave given, presented to the chair a bill,

No. 96, entitled "An act for the relief of John Donaldson."

Which bill was read, and

Laid on the table.

The bills entitled as follow, were severally read the third time and passed, viz.

No. 2, "An act to enable the Governor to appoint a notary public in the incorporated district of Kensington."

No. 3, "An act declaring Sinking creek, in Centre county, a public highway, from its mouth to Christian Keller's mill."

No. 4, "A further supplement to the act, entitled An act authorising the Governor to incorporate four companies for making an artificial road from the town of Washington, in this state, to intersect the Harrisburg and Pittsburg turnpike road, at or near the town of Bedford," passed the 18th day of March, 1816. And

Ordered, That the clerk present the said bills to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Rahn and Mr. Boyer,

The resolution relative to the Pennsylvania canal, read on the 11th inst. was read the second time,

And being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Lehman and Mr. Lawson, to postpone the further consideration of the same for the present.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Boyer and Mr. Petrikin, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Harrison	Mr. R. Miller
Beatty	Hergesheimer	Patterson
G. Bell	Ihrle	Pearson
Bell, Leb.	James	Pennypacker
Binder	Kerr	Ramsey
Bonsall	Knight	Rankin
Boyd	Krepps	Ringland
Brown, Allegh.	Lawson	Shannon
Burden	Lehman	J. R. C. Smith
Cummin	M'Bride	Snyder
Cunningham	M'Creery	Thompson
Denny	M'Ewen	Whitlatch
Dorrance	Madden	Wilson
Duncan	Mallery	Wise
Ellis	Mathews, Cam.	Wolfersberger
Fackenthall	Mathewson	Woolverton
W. B. Foster	Matts	Ritner, Sp'r.
Haines	Meredith	

NAYS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. Dunlap	Mr. Matheys, Mont.
Alter	Eldred	G. Miller
Aughinbaugh	Evans	Nicholson
Barber	Farrell	Overholzer
Becker	W. Forster	Petrikin
Bertolet	Gebhart	Rahn
Bonner	Good	F. Smith
Boyer	Hetrick	P. Stephens
Brown, Lan.	Hottenstein	J. Stevens
Buyers	Irwin	Thomas
Cooper	Kennedy	Tutwiler
Cope	Lauman	Walker
Dillinger	M'Sherry	

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So the question was determined in the affirmative

Agreeably to the order of the day,

The House proceeded to the election of three directors of the bank of Pennsylvania, in conformity with the directions of the act, entitled,

"An act to incorporate the subscribers to the bank of Pennsylvania," passed March 30, 1793.

And the members present voted as follow, viz.

Messrs. Agnew, Alter, Atkinson, Aughinbaugh, Barber, Beatty, Becker, G. Bell, Bell of Lebanon, Bell of Westmoreland, Bertolet, Binder, Bonner, Boyd, Boyer, Brown of Allegheny, Brown of Lancaster, Burden, Buyers, Cooper, Cope, Cunningham, Denny, Dillinger, Dorrance, Duncan, Dunlap, Farrell, W. Forster, Gebhart, Good, Haines, Harrison, Hergesheimer, Hetrick, Hottenstein, Ihrie, Irwin, James, Kerr, Knight, Krepps, Lauman, Lawson, Lehman, M'Bride, M'Creery, M'Ewen, M'Sherry, Madden, Mallery, Matheys of Montgomery, Mathews of Cambria, Mathewson, Meredith, G. Miller, R. Miller, Nicholson, Overholzer, Pennypacker, Rahn, Ramsey, Rankin, Ringland, Shannon, F. Smith, J. R. C. Smith, Snyder, P. Stephens, Thomas, Thompson, Tutwiler, Walker, Whitlatch, Wise, Wolfersberger, Wolford, Woolverton, Ritner, *Sp'r.*—79, voted for John R. Neff.

Messrs. Aughinbaugh, Barber, Beatty, Becker, Binder, Bonner, Boyd, Brown of Allegheny, Burden, Cooper, Cummin, Denny, Dillinger, Duncan, Dunlap, Eldred, Ellis, Evans, Fackenthall, Farrell, W. Forster, Gebhart, Good, Haines, Hergesheimer, Hetrick, Hottenstein, Irwin, Kennedy, Kerr, Krepps, Lawson, Lehman, M'Bride, M'Creery, Madden, Mallery, Matheys of Montgomery, Mathewson, Meredith, G. Miller, R. Miller, Nicholson, Overholzer, Pearson, Pennypacker, Rankin, Ringland, J. R. C. Smith, J. Stevens, Thomas, Thompson, Walker, Whitlatch, Wilson, and Wolford,—58, voted for Chandler Price.

Messrs. Agnew, Alter, Atkinson, Aughinbaugh, Becker, G. Bell, Bell of Westmoreland, Bonsall, Brown of Allegheny, Brown of Lancaster, Burden, Buyers, Cope, Cummin, Cunningham, Dun-

can, Dunlap, Eldred, Ellis, Fackenthall, W. B. Foster, Harrison, Hergesheimer, Hetrick, Ihrie, Irwin, James, Knight, M'Ewen, M'Sherry, Mallery, Mathews of Cambria, Matts, Patterson, Pearson, Petrikin, Ramsey, Shannon, F. Smith, Snyder, P. Stephens, J. Stevens, Thomas, Tutwiler, Walker, Wilson, Wise, Wolfersberger, Woolverton and Ritner, *Sp'r.*—50, voted for John H. Palethorpe.

Messrs. Agnew, Alter, Barber, Beatty, Bell of Lebanon, Bertolet, Bonner, Boyd, Boyer, Buyers, Cooper, Denny, Dillinger, Dorrance, Ellis, Evans, Farrell, W. Forster, W. B. Foster, Gebhart, Good, Haines, Hottenstein, James, Kennedy, Kerr, Krepps, Lauman, Lehman, M'Bride, M'Creery, M'Sherry, Madden, Mathews of Cambria, Meredith, G. Miller, R. Miller, Nicholson, Overholzer, Patterson, Pennypacker, Petrikin, Rahn, Ringland, J. R. C. Smith, Thompson, Tutwiler, Whitlatch, Wolford and Ritner, *Sp'r.*—50, voted for Mathew Carey.

Messrs. Atkinson, G. Bell, Bell of Lebanon, Bell of Westmoreland, Bertolet, Binder, Bonsall, Boyer, Brown of Lancaster, Cope, Cummin, Cunningham, Dorrance, Eldred, Evans, Fackenthall, W. B. Foster, Harrison, Ihrie, Kennedy, Knight, Lauman, Lawson, M'Ewen, Matheys of Montgomery, Mathewson, Matts, Patterson, Pearson, Petrikin, Rahn, Ramsey, Rankin, Shannon, F. Smith, Snyder, P. Stephens, J. Stevens, Wilson, Wise, Wolfersberger and Woolverton,—42, voted for Elijah Vansykle.

Messrs. Bonsall and Matts, voted for Alexander Cook,—2.

So it appeared that

John R. Neff had	79 votes.
Chandler Price,	56
John H. Palethorpe,	50
Mathew Carey,	50
Elijah Vansykle,	42
Alexander Cook,	2

Whereupon,

John R. Neff and Chandler Price, were declared duly elected, and neither of the other candidates having a majority,

On motion,

The House proceeded to a second vote, and the members present voted as follow, viz.

Messrs. Agnew, Alter, Aughinbaugh, Becker, G. Bell, Bonsall, Brown of Allegheny, Brown of Lancaster, Buyers, Cope, Cummin, Cunningham, Duncan, Dunlap, Eldred, Fackenthall, Gebhart, Harrison, Hergesheimer, Hetrick, Ihrie, Irwin, James, Kennedy, M'Ewen, Mallery, Mathews of Cambria, Mathewson, Matts, Patterson, Pearson, Rahn, Ramsey, Shannon, F. Smith, P. Stephens, J. Stevens, Thomas, Tutwiler, Walker, Wilson, Wise, Wolfersberger, Wolford and Woolverton—45, voted for John H. Palethorpe.

Messrs. Atkinson, Barber, Beatty, Bell of Lebanon, Bertolet, Bonner, Boyd, Boyer, Cooper, Denny, Dillinger, Ellis, Evans,

Farrell, W. Forster, W. B. Foster, Good, Haines, Hottenstein, Kerr, Krepps, Lehman, M'Bride, M'Creery, M'Sherry, Madden, Meredith, G. Miller, R. Miller, Nicholson, Overholzer, Pennypacker, Petrikin, Rankin, Ringland, J. R. C. Smith, Thompson, Whitlatch, and Ritner, *Sp'r.*—39, voted for Mathew Carey.

Messrs. Bell, of Westmoreland, Binder, Dorrance, Knight, Lauman, Lawson, Matheys of Montgomery and Snyder—8, voted for Elijah Vansykle.

So it appeared that

John H. Palethorpe had

45 votes.

Mathew Carey,

39

Elijah Vansykle,

8

Neither of the candidates having a majority of all the votes,
On motion,

The House proceeded to a third vote, and the members present voted as follows, viz.

Messrs. Agnew, Alter, Atkinson, Aughinbaugh, Becker, G. Bell, Bell of Westmoreland, Binder, Bonsall, Brown of Allegheny, Brown of Lancaster, Buyers, Cope, Cummin, Cunningham, Dorrance, Duncan, Dunlap, Eldred, Ellis, Fackenthal, Farrell, W. B. Foster, Gebhart, Harrison, Hergesheimer, Hetrick, Ihrie, Irwin, James, Kennedy, Knight, Krepps, Lawson, M'Bride, M'Creery, M'Ewen, Vallery, Matheys of Montgomery, Mathews of Cambria, Mathewson, Matts, Overholzer, Patterson, Pearson, Petrikin, Rahn, Ramsey, Rankin, Shannon, F. Smith, Snyder, P. Stephens, J. Stevens, Thomas, Tutwiler, Walker, Wilson, Wise, Wolfersberger, Wolford and Woolverton—62, voted for John H. Palethorpe.

Messrs. Barber, Beatty, Bell of Lebanon, Bertolet, Bonner, Boyd, Boyer, Cooper, Denny, Dillinger, Evans, W. Forster, Good, Haines, Hottenstein, Kerr, Lauman, Lehman, M'Sherry, Madden, Meredith, G. Miller, R. Miller, Nicholson, Pennypacker, Ringland, Thompson, Whitlatch and Ritner, *Sp'r.*—29, voted for Mathew Carey.

So it appeared that

John H. Palethorpe had

62 votes.

Mathew Carey,

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Whereupon,

John H. Palethorpe was declared to be duly elected.

Agreeably to the order of the day,

The House proceeded to the election of two directors of the Philadelphia bank, in conformity with the directions of an act, entitled "An act to extend the charter of the Philadelphia bank," passed 28th March, 1823.

And the members present voted as follows, viz.

Messrs. Agnew, Alter, Atkinson, Aughinbaugh, Barber, Beatty, Becker, G. Bell, Bell of Lebanon, Bell of Westmoreland, Bertolet, Binder, Bonner, Bonsall, Boyd, Boyer, Brown of Allegheny, Brown of Lancaster, Buyers, Cooper, Cope, Cummin, Cunn-

ham, Denny, Dillinger, Dorrance, Duncan, Dunlap, Eldred, Ellis, Evans, Fackenthall, Farrell, W. Forster, W. B. Foster, Gebhart, Good, Haines, Harrison, Hergesheimer, Hetrick, Hottenstein, Ihrie, Irwin, James, Kennedy, Kerr, Knight, Krepps, Lauman, Lehman, M'Bride, M'Creery, M'Ewen, M'Sherry, Madden, Mallery, Matheys of Montgomery, Mathews of Cambria, Mathewson, Matts, Meredith, G. Miller, R. Miller, Nicholson, Overholzer, Patterson, Pearson, Pennypacker, Petrikin, Rahn, Ramsey, Rankin, Ringland, Shannon, F. Smith, J. R. C. Smith, Snyder, P. Stephens, J. Stevens, Thomas, Thompson, Tutwiler, Whitlatch, Wilson, Wise, Wolfersberger, Wolford, Woolverton and Ritner, *Sp'r.*—90, voted for Michael Riter.

Messrs. Agnew, Alter, Atkinson, Aughinbaugh, Barber, Beatty, Becker, G. Bell, Bell of Lebanon, Bell of Westmoreland, Bertollet, Binder, Bonner, Bonsall, Boyd, Boyer, Brown of Allegheny, Brown of Lancaster, Buyers, Cooper, Cope, Cummin, Cunningham, Denny, Dillinger, Dorrance, Duncan, Dunlap, Eldred, Ellis, Evans, Fackenthall, Farrell, W. Forster, W. B. Foster, Gebhart, Good, Haines, Harrison, Hergesheimer, Hetrick, Hottenstein, Ihrie, Irwin, James, Kennedy, Kerr, Knight, Krepps, Lauman, Lehman, M'Bride, M'Creery, M'Ewen, M'Sherry, Madden, Mallery, Matheys of Montgomery, Mathews of Cambria, Mathewson, Matts, Meredith, G. Miller, R. Miller, Nicholson, Overholzer, Patterson, Pearson, Pennypacker, Petrikin, Rahn, Ramsey, Rankin, Ringland, Shannon, F. Smith, J. R. C. Smith, Snyder, P. Stephens, J. Stevens, Thomas, Thompson, Tutwiler, Whitlatch, Wilson, Wise, Wolfersberger, Wolford, Woolverton and Ritner, *Sp'r.*—90, voted for James M. Linnard.

So it appeared that

Michael Riter had

90 votes.

James M. Linnard,

90

Whereupon,

Michael Riter and James M. Linnard were declared to be duly elected.

Agreeably to the order of the day,

The House proceeded to the election of a director of the Columbia bridge company.

And the members present voted as follows, viz.

Messrs. Agnew, Alter, Atkinson, Aughinbaugh, Barber, Beatty, Becker, G. Bell, Bell of Lebanon, Bell of Westmoreland, Bertollet, Binder, Bonner, Boyd, Boyer, Brown of Allegheny, Brown of Lancaster, Buyers, Cooper, Cope, Cummin, Cunningham, Denny, Dillinger, Dorrance, Duncan, Dunlap, Eldred, Ellis, Evans, Fackenthall, W. Forster, W. B. Foster, Gebhart, Good, Haines, Harrison, Hergesheimer, Hetrick, Hottenstein, Ihrie, Irwin, James, Kennedy, Kerr, Knight, Krepps, Lauman, Lawson Lehman, M'Bride, M'Creery, M'Ewen, M'Sherry, Madden, Mallery, Matheys of Montgomery, Mathews of Cambria, Matts, Meredith, G. Miller, R. Miller, Nicholson, Overholzer, Patterson, Pearson, Pennypacker, Petrikin, Rahn, Ramsey, Rankin, Ringland, Shan-

non, F. Smith, J. R. C. Smith, Snyder, P. Stephens, J. Stevens, Thomas, Thompson, Tutwiler, Whitlatch, Wilson, Wise, Wolfersberger, Wolford, Woolverton and Ritner, *Sp'r.*—88, voted for John Forrey, jr.

So it appeared that John Forrey, jr. had 88 votes.

Whereupon,

John Forrey, jr. was declared to be duly elected.

A motion was made by Mr. Irwin and Mr. M'Creery, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That the committee appointed to attend the Governor elect, be directed to invite the Secretary and Deputy Secretary of the Commonwealth, Auditor General, Surveyor General, Secretary of the Land Office, State Treasurer and Attorney General, to attend the inauguration of the Governor elect on Tuesday, and that the Clerk inform the Senate of the same. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

A motion was made by Mr. Ellis and Mr. Petrikin, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That the committee on the judiciary system be instructed to inquire into the expediency of declaring commissioners of counties to be bodies corporate, for the purposes of suing and being sued in the courts of common pleas, district courts and circuit courts of this commonwealth; and to inquire also into the expediency of confirming suits commenced by or against commissioners of counties, so far as respects their capacity to sue or be sued in the courts of this commonwealth. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

Adjourned until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.



SATURDAY, December 16, 1826.

The Speaker informed the House, that in consequence of the miscarriage of the writ issued by him on the 5th inst. he had on yesterday issued the writ a second time, required by the constitution and laws of this commonwealth, directed to the sheriff of Delaware county, and appointed Tuesday, the second day of January next, to hold an election to fill the vacancy occasioned by

the resignation of Joseph Eagle, late a member of this House from Delaware county.

Mr. Ihrie presented a petition from the stockholders of the Lehigh bridge association at Bethlehem, in Northampton county, praying for an act of incorporation.

Which was referred to Messrs. Ihrie, Krepps and G. Miller.

Mr. Alter presented two memorials, of similar tenor, from sundry citizens of this commonwealth, remonstrating against the construction of the Pennsylvania canal, and praying for the repeal of the act relative to collateral inheritances.

Mr. Eldred presented two petitions, of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of Wayne county, praying for authority to elect additional supervisors in each township.

And the said memorials and petitions were

Laid on the table.

Mr. Wise presented the petition of William Marshall, of Westmoreland county, accompanied with documents, stating his services in the revolutionary war, and praying relief.

Which were referred to the committee on claims.

Mr. M'Creery, from the committee on claims, made a report, (No. 36,) relative to the claim of George Selders, accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That the committee be discharged from any further consideration of the subject. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

Mr. M'Creery, from the committee on claims, made a report, (No. 37,) relative to the claim of Adam Weaver, accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That the committee be discharged from the further consideration of the subject. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

Mr. Harrison, from the committee of ways and means, made a report (No. 38,) relative to the petition of Samuel Register Smith, accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That the committee be discharged from any further consideration of the subject, and that the petitioner have leave to withdraw his petition and document. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

Mr. J. R. C. Smith, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 6th inst. a petition on the subject, on leave given reported a bill,

No. 97, entitled "An act exempting certain materials and mechanics' tools from distress and sale for rent."

Which bill was read, and made the order of the day for Wednesday the 3d January next.

Mr. M'Creery, from the committee on claims, reported the bills entitled as follow, viz.

No. 98, "An act for the relief of Michael M'Millan, Charles Richart and Archibald Pegan, soldiers of the revolution"

No. 99, "An act granting compensation to Andrew Fox and David Fox, for donation lands to which they are entitled."

Which bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

Mr. F. Smith, from the committee on the judiciary system, to whom was, on yesterday, committed the bill,

No. 95, entitled "A supplement to the several acts of Assembly directing the mode of selling unseated lands for taxes," reported the bill with amendments.

Which was read, and made the order of the day for the second Monday of January next.

Mr. F. Smith, from the committee on the judiciary system, reported a bill,

No. 100, entitled "A supplement to the act, entitled An act limiting the time during which judgments shall be a lien on real estate, and suits may be brought against the sureties of public officers."

Which bill was read, and made the order of the day for Friday the 22d instant.

Mr. Eldred, from the committee to whom was, on the 11th inst. referred a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 101, entitled "An act authorising the Governor to incorporate the Susquehanna, Lackawanna and Delaware canal and railroad company."

Mr. Dorrance, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 13th instant, that item of unfinished business, reported a bill,

No. 102, entitled "An act for the relief of William M'Gonigle, late contractor for the transportation of the laws of this commonwealth."

Which bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

Agreeably to the order of the day,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Kerr in the chair, on the report of the committee appointed to prepare rules for the government of this House.

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the rules with amendments. And

On motion,

The said rules were read the second time.

And the 1st section, relative to the duties of the Speaker, was agreed to.

The 2d section, relative to the order of business, being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. F. Smith and Mr. Good, to amend the same, by striking therefrom these words,

"These shall be called for by the Speaker, in the following order, beginning with the city of Philadelphia and pursuing the arrangement observed in entering the annual election returns. And for the presenting of which not more than one hour shall be allowed, and if on any day the whole shall not be presented, the Speaker shall on the next day begin where he left off the day previous."

Which was agreed to.

And the section as amended, was agreed to.

The 8th and 9th rules were then severally considered and agreed to.

The 10th rule being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr Ellis and Mr. Lawson, to amend the same by inserting after "speak," in the 2d line, these words "at that time."

Which was disagreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Bonner and Mr. F. Smith, to amend the rule by striking therefrom these words, "nor more than once, until the members choosing to speak shall have spoken."

Which was agreed to.

And the rule as amended, was agreed to.

The 11th, 12th, 13th and 14th rules were severally considered and agreed to.

The 15th rule being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Snyder and Mr. Bertolet, to amend the same, by striking therefrom these words, "No motion can be received to postpone for the purpose of introducing a substitute."

Which was disagreed to.

And the 15th rule was agreed to.

The 16th and 17th rules, were severally considered and agreed to.

The 18th rule being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Burden and Mr. Pearson, to amend the same, by striking therefrom "on the same or the succeeding day," and inserting in lieu thereof, "within six days, exclusive of Sundays, after the decision."

The amendment being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Ringland and Mr. Kerr, to amend the same, by striking therefrom "six," and inserting in lieu thereof "three."

Which was disagreed to.

And the amendment was agreed to.

And the rule as amended was agreed to.

The rules from the 19th to the 35d inclusive, were severally considered and agreed to.

The 34th rule being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Cummin and Mr. Patterson, to amend the same by striking therefrom these words, "nor shall a member vote on any question in which he is personally interested."

Which was agreed to.

And the rule as amended was agreed to.

The 35th, 36th, 37th and 38th rules were severally considered and agreed to.

The last rule being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Ellis and Mr. Thomas, to amend the same by striking therefrom these words, "of the House," and inserting in lieu thereof these words, "now adopted shall be the rules of the House of Representatives of this commonwealth, until otherwise ordered, and".

Which was agreed to.

And the rule as amended was agreed to.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, presented for concurrence the bill entitled as follows, viz.

No. 103, "An act to vest in Comfort Budge, the right of this commonwealth to the real and personal estate of her illegitimate daughter, Rebecca Clarke, late of the borough of Meadville, in the county of Crawford."

Which bill was read, and

Laid on the table.

He returned the bills entitled as follow, viz.

No. 2, "An act to enable the Governor to appoint a notary public in the incorporated district of Kensington."

No. 4, "A further supplement to the act entitled An act authorising the Governor to incorporate four companies for making an artificial road from the town of Washington, in this state, to intersect the Harrisburg and Pittsburg turnpike road, at or near the town of Bedford, passed the 18th day of March, 1816."

And gave information,

That the Senate have passed said bills, the first without and the latter with one amendment, in which the concurrence of the House of Representatives is requested.

The amendment by the Senate to the said bill was read, considered and concurred in. And

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate of the same.

The Clerk of the Senate also presented the following extracts from their journal, which were read, viz.

"IN THE SENATE,

December 15, 1826.

On motion,

Resolved, That Messrs. Ogle, Garber, and Kitchin, be a committee, in conjunction with a similar committee from the House of Representatives, (already appointed,) to attend the Governor elect on Tuesday next, at his residence in Harrisburg, and accompany him to the hall of the House of Representatives, when the members of both House: are convened, where the Speaker of the Senate, or in his absence, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, shall administer the usual oaths of office to the Governor elect, which being done, the Governor shall be publicly declared by the reading of a copy of the certificate of his election, by the Clerk of the Senate.

"IN THE SENATE,*December 16, 1826.*

On motion,

Resolved, That the committee appointed to attend the Governor elect, be directed to invite the Secretary and Deputy Secretary of the Commonwealth, Auditor General, Surveyor General, Secretary of the Land Office, State Treasurer and Attorney General, to attend the inauguration of the Governor elect, on Tuesday, and that the Clerk of the Senate inform the House of Representatives of the same."

Laid on the table.

Adjourned until 10 o'clock on Monday morning next.

***MONDAY, December 18, 1826.***

The Speaker laid before the House the proceedings of a meeting of sundry inhabitants of the city of Lancaster, remonstrating against the passage of the bill No. 1, entitled "An act concerning ground rents."

Which were read, and

Laid on the table.

Mr. Duncan presented a remonstrance from sundry manufacturers of tobacco, in the city and county of Philadelphia, against the passage of the bill No. 23, entitled "An act to prevent fraud in the sale of manufactured tobacco."

Mr. Cummin presented three petitions, of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of Mifflin county, praying for a division of the said county.

Mr. Kennedy presented two petitions, of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of Northampton county, praying for an appropriation in aid of improving the road across the Lehigh hills, opposite to Bethlehem.

Mr. Farrell presented a remonstrance from sundry labouring contractors of the Harrisburg, Carlisle and Chambersburg turnpike road company, against the passage of the bill No. 30, entitled "A supplement to an act entitled an act for the relief of the creditors of the Harrisburg, Carlisle and Chambersburg turnpike road, passed on the 1st April, 1823."

Mr. Snyder presented sundry documents relative to the claim of Joseph H. Fennemore.

And the said petitions, remonstrances and documents were

Laid on the table.

Mr. Knight presented the petition of Simon Krewson, of the county of Philadelphia, accompanied with documents, stating his services in the revolutionary war, and praying relief.

Mr. Brown of Allegheny presented the petition of William Wilson, of Allegheny county, accompanied with documents, stating his services in the revolutionary war, and praying relief.

And the said petitions and documents were referred to the committee on claims.

Mr. Burden presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of the city and county of Philadelphia, praying that a company may be incorporated for the purpose of making a canal to connect the rivers Delaware and Schuylkill, through the southern section of the county of Philadelphia.

Which was referred to the committee on inland navigation and internal improvement.

Mr. Beatty presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Butler county, praying for a review of the state road from Butler to Franklin,

Which was referred to Messrs. Beatty, Lauman and Buyers.

Mr. J. Miller presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Perry county, praying for the repeal or alteration of the law relative to the erection of fish dams in the river Susquehanna, and its branches.

Which was referred to the members from Perry, Dauphin, Mifflin, Union, Lancaster, Huntingdon, York and Cumberland counties.

Mr. Wise presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Washington township, Westmoreland county, praying that the place of holding their general elections may be changed to the house of Adam Bowman.

Which was referred to the committee on election districts.

A motion was made by Mr. J. Miller, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That the committee on the judiciary system be instructed to inquire into the expediency of vesting the courts of common pleas within this commonwealth with authority to direct the application of the proceeds of sheriffs' sales. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

A motion was made by Mr. Knight, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That the committee on agriculture be instructed to inquire what alterations are necessary to be made in the law regulating dry measures, within the city and county of Philadelphia.

Laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Wise,

Ordered, That an item of unfinished business, relative to confirming the proceedings of Joseph Kenan, a Justice of the Peace of Westmoreland county, be referred to the members from the said county.

On motion of Mr. Hetrick,

Ordered, That an item of unfinished business, relative to improving the navigation of the Susquehanna river, be referred to Messrs. Hetrick, Wilson and P. Stephens.

A motion was made by Mr. Hottenstein,

That an item of unfinished business, relative to the erection of a new county out of part of Berks county, be referred to the members from the city of Philadelphia.

The motion being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Boyer to amend the same, by striking therefrom "city of Philadelphia," and inserting in lieu thereof "said county."

Which was agreed to.

And the motion as amended was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. G. Bell,

Ordered, That an item of unfinished business, relative to improving Bennetts branch of Sinnemahoning creek, be referred to the committee on inland navigation and internal improvement.

On motion of Mr. Atkinson,

Ordered, That an item of unfinished business, relative to the claim of Adam Owry, be referred to the committee on claims.

On motion of Mr. G. Bell,

Ordered, That an item of unfinished business, relative to the Susquehanna and Waterford turnpike road, be referred to the committee on inland navigation and internal improvement.

Mr. Ellis obtained leave of absence for a few days.

Mr. G. Bell obtained leave of absence for a few days, from Thursday next.

Messrs. W. B. Foster, Brown of Lancaster, Hergesheimer, Aughinbaugh and Buyers, obtained leave of absence for a few days from Friday next.

Messrs. Boyd, Rahn, Bonsall, Patterson, Evans, Matheys of Montgomery, Barber, Thompson, Haines and Overholzer, obtained leave of absence for a few days from Saturday next.

Mr. Hetrick obtained leave of absence for a few days from Wednesday next.

Mr. Rankin obtained leave to withdraw the petition and documents of Alexander Culbertson.

Mr. Binder obtained leave to withdraw the petition and documents of Andrew Shuster.

A motion was made by Mr. Eldred,

That four members be added to the committee to whom was referred the petition of the Carbon mining company.

The motion being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Rahn,

To amend the same by striking therefrom "four members," and inserting in lieu thereof "members from Berks and Schuylkill counties."

Which was disagreed to.

And the motion was agreed to. And

Ordered, That Messrs. Rahn, Irwin, Snyder and Mallery, be of the committee.

Mr. Dellinger, from the committee appointed to compare bills and present them to the Governor for his approbation, made report, which was read as follows, viz.

That in conjunction with a similar committee from the Senate, they have compared. and on this day presented to the Governor for his approbation, the bills entitled as follow, to wit:

An act to enable the Governor to appoint a notary public, in the incorporated district of Kensington.

A further supplement to the act entitled An act authorising the Governor to incorporate four companies for making an artificial road from the town of Washington, in this state, to intersect the Harrisburg and Pittsburg turnpike road at or near the town of Bedford, passed the 18th day of March, 1816.

Laid on the table.

Mr. Denny, from the committee appointed on the 6th instant, to consider the propriety and manner of electing Chaplains, made a report, (No. 39,) accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to wait on the clergy of this borough and procure one of them to attend on each morning, in the chamber of the House of Representatives, to open the business of the Assembly with prayer. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted. And

Ordered, That Messrs. Denny, Kerr and Cummin, be a committee for the purpose therein expressed.

Mr. Eldred, from the committee on education, reported a bill, No. 104, entitled, "An act granting a premium to the children of the poor of this commonwealth, for good conduct and improvement in school learning."

Which bill was read, and made the order of the day for the 1st Thursday of January next.

Mr. F. Smith, from the committee on the judiciary system, reported a bill,

No. 105, entitled "An act authorising the commissioners of the several counties in this commonwealth, with the approbation of the courts of quarter sessions, to create and regulate election districts."

Which bill was read, and made the order of the day for the 2d Tuesday of January next.

Mr. Ihrie, from the committee to whom was, on the 16th inst. referred a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 106, entitled "A supplement to an act, entitled An act for establishing and building a bridge across the river Lehigh, at Bethlehem, in the county of Northampton," passed April 3, A. D. 1792.

Mr. J. Miller, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 9th inst, that item of unfinished business, reported a bill,

No. 107, entitled "An act to adjust and settle the accounts of Christian Gleim, John Kelker and Peter Wenrich, deceased, late jailors of Dauphin county."

Mr. Shannon, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 14th inst. a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill, No 108, entitled "An act to revive and re-locate that part of the state road from the west end of the Allegheny bridge, at the city of Pittsburg, in the county of Allegheny, to the east end of the Beaver bridge, in the county of Beaver, and appropriating certain monies arising from the sales of out lots near the borough of Beaver, belonging to this commonwealth, for re-locating, opening, repairing and improving the same."

Which bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, presented for concurrence the bills entitled as follow, viz.

No. 109, "An act establishing the rates of ferriage at Greensburg, Greene county."

No. 110, "An act for the relief of Catharine Shartzter and Mary Hollman, widows of revolutionary soldiers."

Which bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Meredith,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Boyer in the chair, on the resolutions (No. 43,) relative to the construction of a break-water in the bay of Delaware.

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the resolutions without amendment. And

On motion,

The said resolutions were read the second time, considered and adopted. And

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Meredith,

The House resumed the second reading of the bill No. 1, postponed on the 13th inst. entitled "An act concerning ground rents."

And the new section recurring,

A motion was made by Mr. Burden, to amend the same by striking from the 2d line, "cases," and inserting in lieu thereof "contracts that may hereafter be made."

Which was agreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Cunningham, further to amend the section by striking therefrom these words, "and should the said landlord, his heirs or assigns, refuse to receive such equivalent and payment as aforesaid, it being tendered in the presence of two lawful witnesses, the said grantor or landlord, his heirs and assigns, shall not be entitled to recover by any suit at law, such ground rent, but the same shall be considered as extinguished and released."

Which was agreed to.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the new section as amended?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Boyd and Mr. Wise, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. Buyers	Mr. Kennedy
Alter	Cooper	Kerr
Atkinson	Cummin	Krepps
Aughinbaugh	Cunningham	Lauman
Barber	Duncan	M'Sherry
Beatty	Eldred	Mathewson
G. Bell	Evans	Matts
Bertolet	Fackenthall	J. Miller
Bonner	Gebhart	Nicholson
Bonsall	Good	Overholzer
Boyd	Hetrick	Ringland
Boyer	Hottenstein	F. Smith
Brown, Allegh.	Ihrrie	Tutwiler
Brown, Lan.	Irwin	Whitlatch
Burden	James	

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NAYS.

Mr. Becker	Mr. M'Bride	Mr. Ramsey
Bell, Leb.	M'Creery	Rankin
Bell, West.	M'Ewen	Shannon
Binder	Madden	J. R. C. Smith
Cope	Mallery	Snyder
Denny	Matheys, Mont.	J Stephens
Dillinger	Mathews, Cam.	Thomas
Farrell	Meredith	Thompson
W. Forster	G Miller	Walker
W. B. Foster	R. Miller	Wilson
Haines	Patterson	Wise
Harrison	Pearson	Wolfersberger
Hergesheimer	Pennypacker	Wolford
Knight	Petrikina	Woolverton
Lawson	Rahn	Ritner, Sp'r.
Lehman		

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So the question was determined in the negative.

A motion was then made by Mr. Irwin, to amend the bill by adding thereto the following new section, viz.

Section 7. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That this act shall not be construed to affect any cases of grant, indenture or other assurance, wherein there is a reservation or covenant for the payment of ground rent created before the passage of this act.

The new section being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Irwin, to postpone the further con-

sideration of the same, together with the bill, until Wednesday the 20th inst

Which was agreed to.

Adjourned until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.



TUESDAY, December 19, 1826.

The Secretary of the Commonwealth being introduced, presented a message from the Governor, which was read as follows, viz.

To the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

GENTLEMEN,

I have this day approved and signed the following acts of the General Assembly, and directed the Secretary of the Commonwealth to return them to the House of Representatives, in which they originated, viz.

A further supplement to the act, entitled 'An act authorising the Governor to incorporate four companies for making an artificial road from the town of Washington, in this state, to intersect the Harrisburg and Pittsburg turnpike road, at or near the town of Bedford,' passed the 18th day of March, 1816.

An act to enable the Governor to appoint a notary public, in the incorporated district of Kensington.

J. ANDW. SHULZE.

Harrisburg, December 18, 1826.

Laid on the table.

Mr. M'Creery presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Allegheny, Beaver and Washington counties, praying that a state road may be laid out from the Virginia state line, at or near the farm of James Cross, in Beaver county, to the Pittsburg and Steubenville turnpike road, in Allegheny county.

Which was referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

Mr. P. Stephens presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Susquehanna county, praying for the passage of a law to validate the official acts of Charles Chandler, 2d, a constable of Gibson township, in the said county.

Which was referred to Messrs. P. Stephens, Mallory and Eldred.

Mr. Duncan presented the petition of John W. Shinn, of the

county of Philadelphia, praying for a divorce from the bonds of matrimony.

Which was referred to Messrs. Duncan, Aughinbaugh and Woolverton.

Mr. Brown of Allegheny presented the petition of Thomas Brown, of Allegheny county, on behalf of himself and others, actual settlers, claiming lands in the Triangle, on the waters of Lake Erie, praying that a survey may be made under the authority of the state, of certain lands therein mentioned.

Which was referred to Messrs. Brown of Allegheny, Woolverton, Cunningham, Bonner and Krepps.

Mr. Hetrick presented three petitions, of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of Springettsburg Manor, York county, praying that seven thousand dollars may be granted to them, or that they may be authorised to raise that sum by way of lottery, in aid of defraying the expenses incurred by them in contesting the claim of the late proprietors to the said Manor.

Which were referred to the members from York and Lancaster counties

Mr. Cunningham presented the petition of George Rogers, of Mercer county, a brother of William Rogers, late of the revolutionary army, deceased, accompanied with documents, praying compensation for a tract of donation land.

Which were referred to the committee on claims.

Mr. Tutwiler presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Bedford county, praying that measures may be adopted for converting the turnpike roads within this commonwealth into free roads.

Which was read,

When a motion was made by Mr. Tutwiler, that the same be referred to a select committee.

The motion being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Meredith to amend the same, by striking therefrom, "select committee," and inserting in lieu thereof "committee on inland navigation and internal improvement."

And on the question,

Will the House agree so to amend?

A motion was made by Mr. Lawson to postpone the question, together with the motion, for the present.

Which was agreed to.

On leave given,

A motion was made by Mr. Denny and Mr. Duncan, they being in the majority, to reconsider the vote given on yesterday, on the resolution attached to the report of the committee relative to the appointment of Chaplains.

Which was agreed to.

The resolution being again under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Denny,

That the same, together with the report, be recommitted to the committee who made the report.

Which was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Boyd,

Ordered, That Messrs. Krepps and Burden be a committee to introduce the Speaker and members of the Senate into the chamber of the House of Representatives, in order to attend the inauguration of the Governor elect.

On motion,

The House adjourned until a quarter of an hour before 12 o'clock.

SAME DAY.

Mr. Krepps and Mr. Burden, the committee appointed for the purpose, introduced the Speaker and members of the Senate.

According to order,

The joint committee of both Houses appointed for the purpose, introduced J. Andw. Shulze, the Governor elect, when the oaths required by the constitution of this commonwealth to qualify him to perform the duties of Governor, and the oath required by the constitution of the United States, were administered to him by the Speaker of the Senate.

The Clerk of the Senate then read the certificate of election, after which the Governor addressed the members of both Houses, and then withdrew.

The Speaker and members of the Senate having withdrawn, the address of the Governor, (No. 40,) was read, and

Laid on the table

On motion of Mr. Fackenthall,

Ordered, That one thousand copies of the said address be printed for the use of the members.

Adjourned until 10 o'clock to morrow morning.



WEDNESDAY, December 20, 1826.

The Deputy Secretary of the Commonwealth being introduced, presented a message from the Governor, which was read as follows, viz.

To the Senate and House of Representatives of the commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

GENTLEMEN,

I have this day reappointed and commissioned, General Isaac D. Barnard, Secretary of the Commonwealth, during my contin-

uance in office, agreeably to the fifteenth section of the second article of the constitution.

J. ANDREW SHULZE.

Harrisburg, December 19, 1826.

Laid on the table.

Mr. Patterson presented two petitions, of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of Mifflin county, residing above the Long Narrows, praying for a division of the said county.

Mr. Wlfersberger presented two petitions, of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of Berks county, praying that a part of the said county, may be annexed to Lebanon county.

And the said petitions were

Laid on the table.

Mr. Binder presented the petition of Andrew Shuster, of the county of Philadelphia, accompanied with documents, stating his services in the revolutionary war, and praying relief.

Mr. M'Sherry presented the petition of Henry Little, of Adams county, accompanied with documents, stating his services in the revolutionary war, and praying relief.

Mr. Atkinson presented the petition of Samuel Graff, of Crawford county, accompanied with documents, stating his services in the revolutionary war, and praying relief.

And the said petitions and documents were referred to the committee on claims.

Mr. M'Clure presented four petitions, of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of Lycoming county, praying that a state road may be laid out from Columbus, in Luzerne county, to Jersey Shore, in Lycoming county.

Which were referred to Messrs. M'Clure, Mallery and Mathewson.

Mr. Lawson presented the petition of John Carney, late supervisor of Wheatfield township, Indiana county, stating that upon the settlement of his accounts there is a balance due to him from the said township, which he has not been able to obtain from his successors in office, and praying relief.

Which was referred to Messrs. Lawson, Pennypacker and Mathews of Cambria.

Mr. Thomas presented the petition of William Trescott, and other inhabitants of Luzerne county, praying that William Trescott may be authorised to erect a mill dam on the North branch of the Susquehanna river, in Salem township, in the said county.

Which was referred to Messrs. Thomas, Barber and W. Foster.

Mr. Overholzer presented the petition of Ann Maria Kamrer, of Lancaster county, accompanied with documents, praying that the right of the commonwealth to the escheated estate of her illegitimate son John M'Gray, may be vested in her.

Which were referred to Messrs. Overholzer, Shannon and G. Miller.

Messrs. Agnew and Pearson, obtained leave of absence for a few days from Friday next.

Messrs Bonner, Pennypacker, Cooper and Becker, obtained leave of absence for a few days from Saturday next.

Mr. Mathews of Cambria, obtained leave of absence for a few days from to morrow.

A motion was made by Mr. Meredith, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That the committee on the judiciary system, be instructed to inquire into the expediency of providing by law, for swearing or affirming all the jurors summoned at any court at the commencement of the term or period for which they may have been summoned, well and truly to try all causes on which they may be empannelled during such time or period. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

A motion was made Mr. Denny, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That the president and directors of the bank of Pennsylvania be and are hereby requested to exhibit to the House of Representatives, on or before the second Monday in January next, a statement in the usual form, containing in detail all the information necessary to enable the Legislature to form a correct knowledge of the actual state and condition of the bank, as the same may be on the first Monday in January next. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

A motion was made by Mr. Harrison, and read as follows, viz.

Whereas, By an act passed the 14th day of February, 1810, entitled "An act to continue an act entitled An act to incorporate the subscribers to the bank of Pennsylvania, and for other purposes," it is provided that the Governor shall be allowed by the said corporation to subscribe, at par, on behalf of this commonwealth, one thousand two hundred and fifty of the reserved shares in the said bank, at any time after the passage of said act, and also for the same number of shares aforesaid, at par, at any time after the expiration of ten years, from and after the 4th day of March, 1819,

And Whereas, the said first mentioned twelve hundred and fifty of the reserved shares in the said bank, have not been subscribed on the part of the commonwealth, under the provisions of the said act.

Therefore,

Resolved, That the committee of ways and means be instructed to inquire into the expediency of authorising by law, the subscription for the said stock, on the part of the commonwealth, and that the said committee be authorised and directed to call on the officers of the bank of Pennsylvania, for information on the subject. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

A motion was made by Mr. F. Smith, and read as follows, viz.
Whereas, it has been doubted, in some parts of this state, whether the custom of backing warrants by justices of the peace, is legal :

Therefore,

To remove such doubts, and to establish uniformity of practice,
Be it Resolved, That the committee on the judiciary system be instructed to inquire into the expediency of authorising by law, justices of the peace within this commonwealth, severally to back or indorse warrants in criminal cases, so as to give them the same validity in the county, where they are backed or indorsed, as they had in the county where they were issued; and also, to establish an uniform mode of proceeding in such cases. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

On motion of Mr. Dunlap,

Ordered, That an item of unfinished business, relative to the election of an additional constable, in East Pennsborough township, Cumberland county, be referred to Messrs. Dunlap, Gebhart and J. Miller.

On motion of Mr. Duncan,

Ordered, That an item of unfinished business, relative to presenting a sword to Lieut. Hunter, be referred to Messrs. Duncan, Thomas and Krepps.

Mr. Pennypacker obtained leave to withdraw the petition and documents of Thomas Bodley.

Mr. M'Creery, from the committee on claims, made a report, (No. 41,) relative to the claim of Margaret Irwin, accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That the committee be discharged from the further consideration of the subject. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

Mr. M'Creery, from the committee on claims, made a report, (No. 42,) relative to the claim of Joseph Bigony, accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That the committee be discharged from the further consideration of the subject. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

Mr. Denny, from the committee to whom was, on yesterday, re-committed the report and resolution relative to the appointment of Chaplains, reported the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That a committee be appointed by the House of Representatives, to unite with a similar committee of the Senate, if the Senate should appoint such committee, to wait on the clergy of the borough of Harrisburg, and procure their services in attending each morning in the chamber of the House of Represent-

atives, to open the business of the Assembly with prayer, in the presence of the members of both Houses.

And, on motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, and being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Burden, to postpone the further consideration of the same indefinitely.

And on the question,

Will the House agree so to postpone?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Kerr and Mr. Matts, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Alter	Mr. Eldred	Mr. Matheys, Mont.
Atkinson	Evans	G. Miller
Barber	Gebhart	J. Miller
Becker	Good	R. Miller
G. Bell	Haines	Nicholson
Bertolet	Harrison	Overholzer
Bonner	Hottenstein	Petrikini
Boyer	Ihrle	Rahn
Brown, Lan.	Irwin	J. Stevens
Burden	Knight	Thomas
Buyers	Krepps	Walker
Cooper	Lauman	Whitlatch
Cope	M'Bride	Woltersberger
Dillinger	M'Sherry	Wolford 42

NAYS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. W. B. Foster	Mr. Patterson
Aughinbaugh	Hergesheimer	Pennypacker
Beatty	James	Ramsey
Bell, Leb.	Kennedy	Rankin
Bell, West.	Kerr	Ringland
Binder	Lawson	Shannon
Boyd	Lehman	F. Smith
Brown, Allegh.	M'Clure	J. R. C. Smith
Cummin	M'Creery	Snyder
Cunningham	M'Ewen	P. Stephens
Denny	Madden	Thompson
Dorrance	Mallery	Tutwiler
Duncan	Mathews, Cam.	Wilson
Dunlap	Mathewson	Wise
Fackenthall	Matts	Woolverton
Farrell	Meredith	Ritner, Sp'r.
W. Forster		49

So the question was determined in the negative.

A motion was made by Mr. Rahn,

That the further consideration of the resolution be postponed for the present.

And on the question,

Will the House agree so to postpone?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Beatty and Mr. Brown of Allegheny, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. W. B. Foster	Mr. G. Miller
Alter	Gebhart	J. Miller
Atkinson	Good	R. Miller
Aughinbaugh	Haines	Nicholson
Barber	Harrison	Overholzer
G. Bell	Hottenstein	Petrikín
Bertolet	Ihríe	Rahn
Binder	Irwin	Snyder
Bonner	Knight	P. Stephens
Boyer	Krepps	J. Stevens
Brown, Lan.	Lauman	Thomas
Burden	Lawson	Whitlatch
Buyers	M'Bride	Wilson
Cope	M'Sherry	Wolfersberger
Eldred	Matheys, Mont.	Wolford
Evans	Mathewson	Ritner, Sp'r. 48

NAYS.

Mr. Beatty	Mr. Farrell	Mr. Meredith
Becker	W. Forster	Patterson
Bell, Leb.	Hergesheimer	Pennypacker
Bell, West.	James	Ramsey
Brown, Allegh.	Kennedy	Rankin
Cooper	Kerr	Ringland
Cummin	Lehman	Shannon
Cunningham	M'Clure	F. Smith
Denny	M'Creery	J. R. C. Smith
Dillinger	M'Ewen	Thompson
Dorrance	Madden	Tutwiler
Duncan	Mallery	Wise
Dunlap	Mathews, Cam.	Woolverton
Fackenthall	Matts	

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So the question was determined in the affirmative.

Mr. M'Creery, from the committee on claims, reported a bill, No. 111, entitled "An act for the relief of Elizabeth Barnard, widow of a revolutionary soldier."

Mr. Duncan, from the committee to whom was, on yesterday, referred a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill.

No. 112, entitled "An act to annul the marriage of John W. Shinn, and Margaret Ann, his wife."

Mr. Wise, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 18th inst. that item of unfinished business, reported a bill,

No. 113, entitled "An act confirming the judicial proceedings of James Keenan, a justice of the peace of Westmoreland county."

Mr. Shannon, from the committee to whom were referred sundry petitions on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 114, entitled "An act to lay out a state road from the Virginia state line, on the farm of James Cross, by Frankford, in Beaver county, and Weaver's mills, by the village of Clinton, in the county of Allegheny, and from thence to intersect the Pittsburg and Steubenville turnpike road, on the nearest and best direction to the city of Pittsburg."

Which bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, presented for concurrence the bills entitled as follow, viz.

No. 115, "An act authorising the sale and conveyance of the right of the heirs of George Taylor, to a tract of land in Washington county."

No. 116, "An act to authorise the making of an index to the road dockets, in the office of the clerk of the court of quarter sessions of Lancaster county."

No. 117, "An act authorising Jacob Zook, trustee of the Great Valley Ominist society, in Chester county, to sell and convey a certain real estate therein mentioned."

Which bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

He returned the bill,

No. 3, entitled "An act declaring Sinking creek, in Centre county, a public highway, from its mouth to Christian Keller's mill."

And gave information,

That the Senate have passed said bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Knight,

The resolution relative to dry measures, read on the 18th inst. was read the second time, considered and adopted.

The house resumed the second reading of the bill No. 1, postponed on the 18th inst. entitled,

"An act concerning ground rents."

And the new section recurring,

On the question,

Will the House agree to the same?

It was determined in the negative.

A motion was then made by Mr. Barber, to amend the bill, by adding thereto the following new section, viz.

Section 7. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid.* That nothing in the foregoing act shall in any wise affect, alter or invalidate any contract, lease, or tenure of ground rent heretofore entered into in the city and county of Lancaster.

The new section being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Barber, to postpone the further consideration of the same together with the bill, until to-morrow.

Which was agreed to.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, returned the resolutions,

No. 43, entitled "Resolutions relative to the construction of a break-water in the bay of Delaware."

And gave information,

That the Senate have passed said resolutions without amendment.

The bill No. 31, entitled "An act to regulate proceedings of courts of justice, in certain cases," was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered, To be transcribed for the third reading, the title being amended so as to read as follows, viz.

"An act to regulate proceedings in local actions."

The bill No. 33, entitled "An act relative to constable's fees," was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered, To be transcribed for the third reading.

The bill No. 5, entitled "An act authorising the Governor to incorporate the Schuylkill valley navigation company," was read the second time. And

The sections to the 7th, inclusive, were severally agreed to.

The 8th section being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Boyd, to amend the same, by inserting after "Schuylkill," in the 4th line, these words, "not interfering with the rights and privileges heretofore granted to the Schuylkill navigation company."

Which was agreed to.

And the section as amended, was agreed to.

The remaining sections and title were severally considered and agreed to. And

Ordered, That the bill be transcribed for the third reading.

Agreeably to the order of the day,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Rankin in the chair, on the bill,

No. 23, entitled "An act to prevent fraud in the sale of manufactured tobacco."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Leave was granted. And

Ordered, That the committee of the whole sit again on the third Friday in January next.

Agreeably to the order of the day,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Eldred in the chair, on the bill

No. 32, entitled, "An act to prevent certain abuses of the laws relative to fugitives from labor."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill without amendment.

Agreeably to the order of the day,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. M'Clure in the chair, on the bill

No. 67, entitled "A further supplement to an act regulating hawkers and pedlars."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill without amendment.

Adjourned until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.



THURSDAY, December 21, 1826.

Mr. Burden presented the petition of the commissioners of the district of Spring Garden, praying for the extension of the bounds of the said district.

Which was referred to the members from the county of Philadelphia.

Mr. Ihrie presented the petition of Michael Opp, treasurer of Northampton county, praying for certain alterations in the law laying a duty on the retailers of foreign merchandize.

Which was referred to the committee on the judiciary system.

Mr. Boyd presented the petition of Jonathan Mifflin, of York county, accompanied with documents, praying for an inquiry into the conduct of the directors of the Columbia bridge company.

When a motion was made by Mr. Boyd,

That the same be referred to the committee on banks.

The motion being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Barber, to amend the same by striking therefrom, "committee on banks," and inserting in lieu thereof "select committee."

Which was disagreed to.

And the motion was agreed to.

Mr. Meredith presented a memorial from the Philadelphia chamber of commerce, praying for certain alterations in the law relative to pilots and pilotages.

Mr. Agnew presented a memorial from a committee appointed at a general town meeting of the citizens of Lancaster, against

the passage of the bill No. 1, entitled "An act concerning ground rents."

And the said memorials were

Laid on the table.

Mr. Shannon presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Allegheny and Beaver counties, praying that a state road may be laid out from Hookstown, in Beaver county, to the Pittsburg and Steubenville turnpike road.

Which was referred to the members from Allegheny and Beaver counties.

Mr. Mallery presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Dauphin county, praying for an inquiry into the conduct of Samuel D. Franks, Esq. president judge of the 12th judicial district.

Which was read, and referred to Messrs. Mallery, Meredith, Irwin, Ihrie, Rahn, Kerr and Good, with power to send for persons and papers.

Mr. Petrikin presented the petition of John J. Maus, of Columbia county, praying for an inquiry into the official conduct of Seth Chapman, Esq. president judge of the 8th judicial district.

Which was referred to Messrs. Wise, Cunningham, Shannon, Denny, Madden, P. Stephens and Evans.

On motion of Mr. Tutwiler,

The House resumed the consideration of the motion postponed on the 19th inst. to refer the petition relative to free turnpike roads, to a select committee.

And the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the amendment, viz. to strike therefrom "select committee," and insert "committee on inland navigation and internal improvement?"

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. F. Smith, and Mr. Farrell, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Beatty	Mr. Harrison	Mr. Pennypacker
G. Bell	Kerr	Ramsey
Binder	Knight	Rankin
Boyd	Lawson	Ringland
Brown, Allegh.	Lehman	Shannon
Burden	M'Clure	J. R. C. Smith
Cummin	M'Creery	Snyder
Denny	Mallery	Thomas
Duncan	Mathews, Cam.	Thompson
Fackenthal	Matts	Wilson
W. B. Foster	Meredith	Wise
Haines	Patterson	Ritner, Sp'r. 56

NAYS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. Becker	Mr. Bonner
Alter	Bell, Leb.	Bonsall
Aughinbaugh	Bell, West.	Boyer
Barber	Bertolet	Brown, Lan.

YAYS.

Mr. Buyers
Cooper
Cope
Cunningham
Dorrance
Dunlap
Eldred
Evans
Farrell
W. Forster
Gebhart
Good
Hottenstein
Ihrle

Mr. Irwin
James
Kennedy
Krepps
Lauman
M'Bride
M'Ewen
M'Sherry
Madden
Matheys, Mont.
Mathewson
G. Miller
J. Miller

Mr. Nicholson
Overholzer
Petrikin
Rahn
F. Smith
P. Stephens
J. Stevens
Tutwiler
Walker
Whitlatch
Wolfersberger
Wolford
Woolverton

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So the question was determined in the negative.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

It was determined in the affirmative. And

Ordered, That Messrs. Tutwiler, F. Smith, Farrell, Dunlap, Becker, Petrikin, Mathewson, Gebhart and Cunningham, be of the committee.

Mr. Tutwiler presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Bedford county, praying that the turnpike roads within this commonwealth, may be converted into free roads,

Which was referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

Messrs. Brown of Allegheny, Lawson and Wolfersberger, obtained leave of absence for a few days.

A motion was made by Mr. Rahn, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That the Speaker draw his warrant on the State Treasurer, in favor of John S. Wiestling, printer of the English journal of this House for four hundred dollars, to be accounted for in the settlement of his account. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

A motion was made by Mr. Cummin,

That when this House adjourns on Saturday next, it will adjourn to meet again on Tuesday the 26th inst. at 10 o'clock in the morning.

The motion being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Lawson, to amend the same, by striking therefrom "Tuesday the 26th inst." and inserting in lieu thereof "Wednesday the 27th inst."

And on the question,

Will the House agree so to amend?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Krepps and Mr. Farrell, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Agnew
Alter
Aughinbaugh
Barber
Beatty
Becker
G. Bell
Bell, Leb.
Bertolet
Bonsall
Boyd
Boyer
Brown, Allegh.
Brown, Lan.
Burden
Buyers
Cooper
Cope
Cummin
Denny

Mr. Duncan
Eldred
Evans
Fackenthall
W. Forster
W. B. Foster
Good
Haines
Harrison
Hottenstein
Knight
Lawson
Lehman
M'Creery
M'Ewen
Madden
Mallery
Mathewson
Matts

Mr. Meredith
Overholzer
Patterson
Pennypacker
Rahn
Ringland
J. R. C. Smith
Snyder
P. Stephens
J. Stevens
Thomas
Thompson
Walker
Wilson
Wise
Wolfersberger
Wolford
Woolverton
Ritner, Sp'r.

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NAYS.

Mr. Bell, West.
Binder
Bonner
Dillinger
Dorrance
Dunlap
Farrell
Gebhart
Ihrle
Irwin

Mr. James
Kennedy
Kerr
Krepps
Lauman
M'Bride
M'Clure
M'Sherry
G. Miller
J. Miller

Mr. R. Miller
Nicholson
Petrikin
Ramsey
Rankin
Shannon
F. Smith
Tutwiler
Whitlatch

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So the question was determined in the affirmative.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the motion as amended?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Petrikin, and Mr. Bell of Westmoreland, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Agnew
Alter
Aughinbaugh
Barber
Beatty
Becker
G. Bell
Bell Leb.
Bertolet

Mr. Binder
Bonsall
Boyd
Boyer
Brown, Lan.
Brown, Allegh.
Buyers
Cooper
Cope

Mr. Cummin
Duncan
Eldred
Evans
Fackenthall
W. Forster
W. B. Foster
Good
Haines

YEAS.

Mr. Harrison
Hottenstein
Knight
Lawson
Lehman
M'Creery
M'Ewen
Madden
Mallery
Mathewson

Mr. Matts
Meredith
Overholzer
Patterson
Pennypacker
Rahn
Ringland
J. R. C. Smith
Snyder
P. Stephens

Mr. J. Stevens
Thomas
Thompson
Walker
Wilson
Wise
Wolfersberger
Wolford
Woolverton
Ritner, *Sp'r.* 57

NAYS.

Mr. Bell, West.
Bonner
Cunningham
Denny
Dillinger
Dorrance
Dunlap
Farrell
Gebhart
Ihrle

Mr. Irwin
James
Kennedy
Kerr
Krepps
Lauman
M'Bride
M'Clure
M'Sherry
G. Miller

Mr. J. Miller
R. Miller
Nicholson
Petrikin
Ramsey
Rankin
Shannon
F. Smith
Tutwiler
Whitlatch 50

So the question was determined in the affirmative

On motion of Mr. Wilson,

Ordered, That an item of unfinished business, relative to the erection of swinging gates on the Frankstown branch of the Juniata river, be referred to Messrs. Wilson, Wolford and Pennypacker.

On motion of Mr. F. Smith,

Ordered, That an item of unfinished business, relative to the Chambersburg water company, be referred to Messrs. F. Smith, Agnew and Knight.

Mr. Rahn, from the committee of accounts, made a report, (No. 43,) relative to the account of the Deputy Sergeant-at-Arms, accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That the Speaker draw his warrant on the State Treasurer in favor of Allen Anderson, for fourteen dollars and forty-five cents, the above balance. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

Mr. M'Creery, from the committee on claims, made a report, (No. 44,) relative to the claim of George Rogers, accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That the committee be discharged from any further consideration of the subject, and that the petitioner have leave to withdraw his petition and document. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

Mr. Harrison, from the committee of ways and means, reported a bill,

No. 118, entitled "An act relating to lotteries and lottery brokers "

Which bill was read, and made the order of the day for the 10th of January next.

Mr. M^cCreery, from the committee on claims, reported a bill, No. 119, entitled "An act for the relief of William Marshall and William Wilson, soldiers of the revolution."

Mr. Eldred, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 15th inst. a petition on the subject, on leave given reported a bill,

No. 120, entitled "An act to incorporate the Carbon mining company."

Which bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

The bill No. 31, entitled "An act to regulate proceedings in local actions," was read the third time. when

A motion was made by Mr. Meredith, that the same be recommended to a committee of the whole House, for the purpose of amending the section, by striking from the 4th line, "such as by the existing laws are deemed local actions, and triable only in a particular county," and by inserting after "actions," in the same line, these words "of covenant and of debt founded on privity of estate and of trespass *quare clausum fregit*."

Which was agreed to.

Whereupon,

The House again resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Alter in the chair, on the said bill.

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill amended.

The bill being again before the House,

A motion was made by Mr. Mallery,

That the same be recommended to a committee of the whole House, for the purpose of amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Whereupon,

The House again resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Alter in the chair, on the said bill.

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

Leave was granted. And

Ordered, That the committee of the whole sit again on tomorrow.

Adjourned until 10 o'clock to morrow morning.

FRIDAY, December 22, 1826.

Mr. Boyer presented the petition of Margaret Pickhard, of Berks county, accompanied with documents, stating the services of her late husband, John Frederick Pickhard, in the revolutionary war, and praying relief,

Which were referred to the committee on claims.

Mr. Binder presented the petition of John Newman, by his next friend Jacob Newman, of Montgomery county, accompanied with documents, praying that the Orphans court of the said county, may be authorised to appoint a guardian of the person and estate of the said John Newman. When

A motion was made by Mr. Binder, that the same be referred to a select committee.

The motion being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Irwin, to amend the same by striking therefrom "select committee," and inserting in lieu thereof "committee on the judiciary system." which was disagreed to.

And the motion was agreed to. And

Ordered, That Messrs. Binder, Evans and Shannon, be of the committee.

Mr. Kennedy presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Northampton county, praying for an appropriation in aid of improving the road across the Lehigh hills, opposite to Bethlehem.

Mr. Ramsey presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Bucks county, against changing the mode of appointing the Treasurer of the said county.

Mr. Boyer presented a memorial from sundry inhabitants of Berks county, remonstrating against the construction of the Pennsylvania canal, and praying for the repeal of the act relative to collateral inheritances. And

The said memorial, remonstrance and petitions, were

Laid on the table.

Mr. Shannon presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Ohio township, Beaver county, praying that the place of holding their general elections may be changed to the house of Mackale Dawson, in Ohioville.

Which was referred to the committee on election districts.

Messrs. M'Ewen, Wilson, Wise and J. Miller obtained leave of absence for a few days from Wednesday next.

Messrs. J. Stevens, Duncan and Ramsey obtained leave of absence for a few days..

A motion was made by Mr. Rahn, and read as follows, viz.

Whereas, It is a right in a republican government, that the people should at all times be informed, and as early as possible, of the proceedings of their Representatives: And

Whereas, The public prints are the only channel through which this information is furnished.

Therefore,

Resolved, That the stenographers who attend in this House have leave to occupy a convenient part of the House, within its bar, so as not to interfere with the business thereof. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read, the second time considered and adopted.

On motion, of Mr. Creery,

Ordered, That an item of unfinished business, relative to the settlement of the accounts of Nathaniel W. Sample, jr. be referred to Messrs. M'Creery, G. Miller and Thomas.

On motion of Mr. M'Clure,

Ordered, That an item of unfinished business, relative to the Smethport academy, be referred to be committee on education.

On motion of Mr. Tutwiler,

Ordered, That an item of unfinished business, relative to the Bedford water company, be referred to Messrs. Tutwiler, F. Smith and Agnew.

On motion of Mr. Agnew,

Ordered, That an item of unfinished business, relative to re-funding a certain sum of money to Philip Lenhere, be referred to Messrs. Agnew, Lawson and Nicholson,

On motion of Mr. P. Stephens,

Ordered, That an item of unfinished business, relative to changing the place of holding the elections in Harford township, Susquehanna county, be referred to the committee on election districts.

Mr. Dillinger, from the committee appointed to compare bills and present them to the Governor for his approbation, made report, which was read as follows, viz.

That in conjunction with a similar committee from the Senate, they have compared and on yesterday presented to the Governor for his approbation, the bill entitled as follows, to wit :

An act declaring Sinking creek, in Centre county, a public highway from its mouth to Christian Keller's mill.

And also, resolutions relative to the construction of a break-water in the bay of Delaware.

Laid on the table.

Mr. M'Creery, from the committee on claims, made a report (No. 45,) relative to the claim of Henry Little, accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That the committee be discharged from any further consideration of the subject.

Which was read, and

Laid on the table.

Mr. M'Creery, from the committee on claims, made a report, (No. 46,) relative to the claim of Samuel Blythe, accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That the committee be discharged from any further consideration of the subject, and that the petitioner have leave to withdraw his petition and documents. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

Mr. Rahn, from the committee of accounts, made a report, (No. 47.) relative to the account of the Deputy Sergeant-at-Arms, accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That the Speaker draw his warrant on the State Treasurer, in favor of Nathaniel Henry, for twenty-one dollars and twenty-five cents, in full for the aforesaid service. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

Mr. Duncan, from the committee to whom was referred that item of unfinished business, reported a resolution,

No. 121, Relative to presenting a sword to captain William M. Hunter.

Mr P. Stephens, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 19th inst. a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 122, entitled "An act confirming the official acts and proceedings of Charles Chandler, 2d, constable of Gibson township, Susquehanna county."

Mr. F. Smith, from the committee to whom was, on yesterday, referred that item of unfinished business, reported a bill,

No. 123, entitled "An act to enable the Chambersburg water company to raise a sum of money by way of lottery."

Mr. Wilson, from the committee to whom was, on yesterday, referred that item of unfinished business, reported a bill,

No. 124, entitled "An act to authorise Joseph M'Cune to erect swinging gates or racks, across the south west branch of the Frankstown branch of the river Juniata."

Mr. Dunlap, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 20th inst. that item of unfinished business, reported a bill,

No. 125, entitled "An act repealing part of an act, entitled An act for the election of certain constables."

Mr Overholzer, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 20th inst. a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 126, entitled "An act to vest in Ann Maria Kamrer the right of this commonwealth to the real and personal estate of her illegitimate son, John M'Gray, late of Warwick township, Lancaster county."

Mr. Shannon, from the committee to whom was referred, on yesterday, a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 127, entitled "An act to authorise the laying out of a state road from Hookstown, in Greene township, Beaver county, to in-

tersect the Pittsburg and Steubenville turnpike, on the best and nearest direction to the city of Pittsburg."

And the said bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, presented for concurrence the bill,

No. 128, entitled "An act to provide for the copying or transcribing of certain dockets or books of record of the court of common pleas of Adams county."

Which bill was read, and

Laid on the table.

Agreeably to leave given,

The House again resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Alter in the chair, on the bill, No. 31, entitled "An act to regulate proceedings in local actions."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill amended.

And the question recurring,

Shall the bill pass?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Meredith and Mr. Wise, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Alter	Mr. M'Creery	Mr. Petrikin
Binder	M'Ewen	Ramsey
Boyd	M'Sherry	Ringland
Cope	Mallery	F. Smith
Cunningham	Matts	J. R. C. Smith
Dorrance	Meredith	P. Stephens
Haines	J. Miller	J. Stevens
Harrison	R. Miller	Thompson
Irwin	Nicholson	Woolverton
Lehman	Pennypacker	Ritner, Sp'r.
M'Clure		

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NAYS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. Evans	Mr. Madden
Barber	Fackenthall	Mathewson
Beatty	Farrell	G. Miller
Bell, Leb.	W. Forster	Overholzer
Bell, West.	Gebhart	Rahn
Bertolet	Good	Rankin
Bonner	Hottenstein	Shannon
Boyer	Ihrrie	Snyder
Brown, Lan.	James	Thomas
Burden	Kennedy	Tutwiler
Buyers	Kerr	Walker
Cooper	Knight	Wilson
Denny	Krepps	Wise
Dillinger	Lauman	Wolford
Dunlap	M'Bride	

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So the question was determined in the negative.

The bills entitled as follow, were severally read the third time and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence, viz.

No. 5, "An act authorising the Governor to incorporate the Schuylkill Valley navigation company."

No. 33, "An act relative to constable's fees."

On motion of Mr. M'Creery,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Dunlap in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 110, entitled "An act for the relief of Catharine Shartzter and Mary Hollman, widows of revolutionary soldiers."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill without amendment.

On motion,

The said bill was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered, To be prepared for the third reading.

On motion of Mr. M'Creery,

The rule which prohibits the reading of bills twice on the same day, being in this case dispensed with, the said bill was read the third time and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate.

The House resumed the second reading of the bill No. 1, postponed on the 20th instant, entitled "An act concerning ground rents."

And the question recurring on the new section,

A motion was made by Mr. Overholzer, to postpone the same, together with the bill, indefinitely.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the indefinite postponement?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Overholzer and Mr. Barber, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Agnew

Alter

Barber

Bell, Leb.

Bell, West.

Bertolet

Bonner

Boyd

Boyer

Brown, Lan.

Burden

Buyers

Cooper

Cope

Mr. Dillinger

Dorrance

Dunlap

Eldred

Evans

Fackenthall

Farrell

W. Forster

Gebhart

Good

Hottenstein

Ihrie

Irwin

James

Mr. Kennedy

Knight

Krepps

Lauman

M'Bride

M'Ewen

M'Sherry

Mathewson

Matts

G. Miller

J. Miller

Nicholson

Overholzer

Petrikín

YEAS.

Mr. Rahn
Rankin
Shannon
F. Smith

Mr. Snyder
P. Stephens
Tutwiler
Walker

Mr. Whitlatch
Wise
Wolford

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NAYS.

Mr. Bin'er
Cunningham
Denny
Harrison
Kerr
Lenman
M'Clure

Mr. M'Creery
Madden
Mallery
Meredith
R. Miller
Ramsey
Ringland

Mr. J. R. C. Smith
J. Stevens
Thomas
Wilson
Woolverton
Ritner, *Sp'r.*

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So the question was determined in the affirmative.

The bill, No. 52, entitled "An act to prevent certain abuses of the laws relative to fugitives from labor," was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered, To be transcribed for the third reading.

The bill No. 67, entitled "A further supplement to an act regulating hawkers and peddlars," was read the second time.

And the section being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Denny, to amend the same by striking from the 18th line "eight."

Which was disagreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Petrikin, to amend the section by striking from the 22d line, "together with the usual fees to the prothonotary for similar services."

Which was agreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Petrikin, further to amend the section by inserting in the 23d line, after "licenses," these words, "thus granted."

Which was agreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Denny, further to amend the section, by inserting after "shall," in the 23d line, "on or before the first day of November."

Which was agreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Irwin, further to amend the section by striking from the 11th line "with sureties," and inserting in lieu thereof these words, "him or herself in the sum of three hundred dollars, and two sureties in the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars each."

Which was disagreed to.

And the section as amended was agreed to.

A motion was made by Mr. Petrikin, to amend the bill by adding thereto the following new section, viz.

Section 2. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid*, That for the duties enjoined upon the prothonotaries of the seve-

ral courts of this commonwealth by this act, they shall receive the following fees, to be paid by the applicants, viz.

For entering and filing petition and other papers, seventy-five cents,

For issuing license under seal, one dollar.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the new section?

It was determined in the affirmative.

A motion was then made by Mr. M'Creery, further to amend the bill, by adding thereto the following new section, viz.

Section 3. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That it shall be the duty of the several constables within this commonwealth, to require all hawkers and pedlars which may come within their knowledge, to produce their license, and on refusal thereof, to enforce the law against such person refusing."

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the new section?

It was determined in the affirmative.

The title was considered and agreed to. And

Ordered, That the bill be transcribed for the third reading.

The Secretary of the Commonwealth being introduced, presented a message from the Governor, which was read as follows, viz.

To the Senate and House of Representatives of the commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

GENTLEMEN,

I have this day approved and signed the following act and resolutions of the General Assembly, and directed the Secretary of the Commonwealth to return them to the House of Representatives, in which they originated, viz.

An act declaring Sinking creek, in Centre county, a public highway from its mouth to Christian Keller's mill.

Resolutions relative to the construction of a break-water in the bay of Delaware.

J. ANDW. SHULZE.

Harrisburg, December 21, 1826.

Laid on the table.

Adjourned until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

SATURDAY, December 23, 1826.

Mr. M'Creery presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Washington county, praying that a state road may be laid out from Williamsburg, in the said county, by way of Cross Creek village and Noblestown, to the city of Pittsburg.

Which was referred to the members from Washington and Allegheny counties.

Mr. M'Clure presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Lycoming and Northumberland counties, praying that a state road may be laid out from Northumberland to Jersey shore.

Which was referred to Messrs. M'Clure, Cope and Mathewson.

Mr. Beatty presented a petition from the officers and members of Perseverance Lodge, No. 21, ancient York Masons of the borough of Harrisburg, praying for authority to erect a Hall on the public ground adjoining the said borough.

Which was read and referred to Messrs. Beatty, Thomas, Shannon, Scudder and Dillinger.

Mr. Tutwiler presented a memorial from sundry inhabitants of Bedford county, remonstrating against the construction of the Pennsylvania Canal, and praying for the repeal of the act relative to collateral inheritances.

Mr. Farrell presented two petitions, of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of Westmoreland county, praying for the repeal of the act authorising the laying out of a state road from Indiana to Murrys ville.

Mr. P. Stephens presented the petition of Samuel Weston, of Susquehanna county, praying for a divorce from the bonds of matrimony.

And the said memorial and petitions were

Laid on the table.

Mr. Woolverton presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Erie, Crawford and Warren counties, praying for an appropriation in aid of opening that part of the state road from Coshecton to the west line of the state, which passes through the said counties.

Which was referred to Messrs. Woolverton, Atkinson and Cunningham.

Mr. Petrikin presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Centre county, praying that Penn's creek, may be declared a highway from the mouth of Sinking creek to its source.

Which was referred to Messrs. Petrikin, Good and Mathewson,

Mr. Hottenstein obtained leave of absence for a few days from Wednesday next.

Mr. Boyer obtained leave of absence for a few days.

A motion was made by Mr. Boyer, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That the committee on the judiciary system be instructed to inquire into the expediency of repealing or modifying so much of the 5th section of the act entitled "An act to prevent the hunting of deer and other wild beasts, &c." passed the 9th day of April 1760, as authorises justices of the peace to convict on their own view, or on the oath or affirmation of witnesses, persons firing guns on or near any of the highways. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

A motion was made by Mr. Lehman, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That the committee on inland navigation and internal improvement be instructed to consider the expediency of extending the provisions contained in an act passed the 10th day of April, 1826, entitled "An act to protect the public in the full benefit and enjoyment of the works constructed for the purposes of inland navigation," to all works which may hereafter be constructed for the purposes of inland navigation, either by the state or any company incorporated for such purposes. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

On motion of Mr. Dorrance,

Ordered, That an item of unfinished business, relative to an appropriation in aid of making a road across Peter's mountain, be referred to Messrs. Dorrance, M'Clure and Petrikin.

Mr. Dillinger, from the committee appointed to compare bills and present them to the Governor for his approbation, made report, which was read as follows, viz.

That in conjunction with a similar committee from the Senate, they have compared, and on this day presented to the Governor for his approbation, the bill entitled as follows, to wit :

An act for the relief of Catharine Shartzler and Mary Hollman, widows of revolutionary soldiers.

Laid on the table.

Adjourned until 10 o'clock on Wednesday morning next.

WEDNESDAY, December 27, 1826.

The House met,
And there not being a quorum of members present,
On motion,

The House adjourned until 10 o'clock to morrow morning.

THURSDAY, December 28, 1826.

The Secretary of the Commonwealth being introduced, presented a message from the Governor, which was read as follows, viz.
To the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

GENTLEMEN,

I have this day approved and signed the following act of the General Assembly, to wit:

An act for the relief of Catharine Shartzter and Mary Hollman, widows of revolutionary soldiers, and directed the Secretary of the Commonwealth to return the same to the Senate, in which the same originated.

J. ANDW. SHULZE.

Harrisburg, December 27, 1826.

Laid on the table.

The Secretary of the Commonwealth also presented a message from the Governor, (No. 48,) accompanied with a resolution, (No. 49,) of the General Assembly of the State of Vermont, disapproving of an amendment of the constitution of the United States, proposed by the state of Tennessee.

The Speaker laid before the House a letter from the Auditor General, (No. 50,) relative to his annual report.

Which was read, and

Laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Mallery,

Ordered, That the committee appointed to investigate the conduct of Judge Franks, have leave to sit during the session of the House.

Adjourned until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

sion of the Pennsylvania canal, laid before the board May 17, 1826, by William Strickland, engineer.

(No. 65.) Report of Nathan S. Roberts engineer, upon the location of the eastern division, as proposed by Mr. Strickland, dated June 19, 1826.

(No. 66.) Mr. Strickland's estimate of the expense of increasing the dimensions of the eastern division, for the accommodation of the borough of Harrisburg, June 19, 1826.

(No. 67.) Report of William Strickland, engineer, upon the progress and present state of the work on the eastern division of the Pennsylvania canal, dated December 9, 1826.

(No. 68.) Estimate of the probable expense of completing the eastern division of the Pennsylvania canal, by William Strickland, engineer, December 11, 1826.

(No. 69.) Copy of a letter from Canvass White, engineer, containing his views as to the best mode of crossing the Susquehanna, at the mouth of Juniata, and as to the present location of the upper level of the eastern division, October 18, 1826.

(No. 70.) Report of Charles Mowry, Esq. acting commissioner, of contracts made on the eastern division of the Pennsylvania canal, dated July 25, 1826.

(No. 71.) Further report of Charles Mowry, Esq. acting commissioner, of contracts made by him, for work on the eastern division of the Pennsylvania canal, dated September 6, 1826.

(No. 72.) General report of Charles Mowry, Esq. acting commissioner, upon the progress and situation of the eastern division of the Pennsylvania canal, dated December 2, 1826.

(No. 73.) Statement of contracts on the eastern division of the Pennsylvania canal, deposited in the State Treasurer's office, November 29, 1826, by Charles Mowry, Esq. acting commissioner, referred to in Mr. Mowry's report (No. 10.) as document A.

(No. 74.) Tabular statement of the progress of the work on the eastern division, shewing the amount of work of all kinds done, and of payments on account, and also the number of hands actually employed, by Charles Mowry, acting commissioner, referred to in Mr. Mowry's report (No. 10.) as statement B.

(No. 75.) Copy of correspondence between the commissioners for improving the navigation of the river Susquehanna, and Charles Mowry, Esq. acting canal commissioner, referred to in Mr. Mowry's report (No. 10.) as document I.

(No. 76.) Exhibit of the state of the acting commissioner's office, for the eastern division of the Pennsylvania Canal, on the 2d day of December, 1826, referred to in Mr. Mowry's report, (No. 10.) as document L.

(No. 77.) Copy of a letter from Nathan S. Roberts, engineer, to the secretary of the board, containing a report of his proceedings on the western division, up to 26th April, 1826.

(No. 78.) Copy of a letter from Nathan S. Roberts, engineer, to the secretary of the board, dated April 30, 1826, containing a report and estimate of the first 17 miles, up the Allegheny river, on the eastern side.

(No. 79.) Copy of the report of Nathan S. Roberts, engineer, upon the survey and location of the western division of the Pennsylvania Canal, with estimates of the expense of constructing the same, on the eastern and western sides of the Allegheny river, respectively, dated May 18, 1826.

(No. 80.) Estimate of the expense of that portion of the western division, below Pine creek, by crossing the Allegheny from the west to the east side; and thence on the east side, to terminate in the Allegheny, at the lower end of Washington street, in the city of Pittsburg; by N. S. Roberts, engineer, May 31, 1826.

(No. 81.) Joint report of major Douglass and Mr. Strickland, on the location of the western division of the Pennsylvania Canal, as proposed by Mr. Roberts, dated August 9, 1826.

(No. 82.) Separate report of N. S. Roberts, on the location of the western division, under the resolution of 9th August, dated August 9, 1826.

(No. 83.) Estimate of the sums necessary to complete that part of the western division, now under contract, by N. S. Roberts, engineer, November 30, 1826.

(No. 84.) Estimate of the expense of completing the canal, from Pine creek to Pittsburg, on each side of the Allegheny river, by N. S. Roberts, engineer, with remarks upon their comparative advantages, Sept. 6, 1826.

(No. 85.) Copy of a letter from N. S. Roberts, containing statement and plan of bridges, for the western division, dated December 12, 1826.

(No. 86.) Statement of the expenses of the engineer's department, on the western division, by N. S. Roberts.

(No. 87.) Report of general Abner Lacock, acting commissioner upon the progress and situation of the western division of the Pennsylvania Canal, December 9, 1826.

(No. 88.) Copy of contract and specification for the aqueduct over the Allegheny river near the mouth of Kiskeminetas, referred to in the report of general Lacock, (No. 25.)

(No. 89.) Report of general Lacock, acting commissioner, of his proceedings under a resolution of the board, instructing him to ascertain to what extent releases could be procured upon the several routes through the city of Pittsburg.

(No. 90.) Copy of a letter from W. M'Candless, chairman of the committee of the citizens of Pittsburg, referred to in the report of general Lacock, (No. 27.)

(No. 91.) Statement by N. S. Roberts, engineer, and James D. Harris, assistant, as to the location and designation of canal routes, on the east side of the Allegheny river, and through the city of Pittsburg.

(No. 92.) Report of Abner Lacock, Esq. acting commissioner, of contracts made by him on the western division, Sept. 14, 1826.

On motion of Mr. Snyder,

Ordered, That the said message and documents be referred to the committee on inland navigation and internal improvement.

A motion was then made by Mr. Wise, that fifteen hundred co-

pies of the said message and documents be printed for the use of the members.

The motion being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Alter, to amend the same by striking therefrom "fifteen," and inserting in lieu thereof "five."

Which was disagreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Fackenthall, to amend the motion by adding thereto, "and five hundred copies in the german language"

Which was agreed to,

And the motion as amended was agreed to.

The Speaker laid before the House the following return of the special election* held in Delaware county, viz.

We the subscribers, judges of the several election districts, in the county of Delaware, in Pennsylvania, having met this day, at the court house, in said county, and after adding together the number of votes which appears to be given in the said election districts, on the twenty-sixth day of December instant, do certify that

William Martin was duly elected a member of the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Witness our hands and seals this twenty ninth day of December, Anno Domini 1826.

E. DARLINGTON,

Judge of the 1st district, [L. s.]

WM. MENDENHALL,

Judge of the 2d district, [L. s.]

GEORGE BISHOP,

Judge of the 3d district, [L. s.]

SAMUEL DAVIS,

Judge of the 4th district, [L. s.]

LUKE CASSIN,

Judge of the 5th district, [L. s.]

Laid on the table.

Mr. Wise presented the petition of Margaret M^cClain of Westmoreland county, accompanied with documents, stating the services of her late husband, Alexander M^cClain, in the revolutionary war, and praying relief.

Which were referred to the committee on claims.

Mr. Gebhart presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Somerset county, against annexing a part of the said county to Fayette county.

Mr. Kennedy presented two petitions, of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of Northampton county, praying for an appro-

* From information received by the Speaker, he was under the impression that the writ issued on the 5th December, to supply the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Mr. Engle, had miscarried. He issued another writ on the 16th December, but the writ of the 5th December was received by the sheriff, and he held the election on the day therein appointed.

priation in aid of improving the road across the Lehigh hills, opposite to Bethlehem.

Mr. Patterson presented four petitions, of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of Mifflin county, praying for a division of the said county.

Mr. Wise presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Westmoreland county, praying for the repeal of the law authorising a review of the state road from Port Johnson to Murrys ville.

Mr. W. Forster presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Union county, praying for an appropriation in aid of improving the road through the Brush Valley narrows.

Mr. Shannon presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Beaver and Allegheny counties, praying that a state road may be laid out from Hookstown to the Pittsburg and Steubenville turnpike road.

Mr. James presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of the borough of Bedford, in Bedford county, praying for authority to raise ten thousand dollars by way of lottery, in aid of supplying the said borough with water.

Mr. Hottenstein presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Berks, Northampton and Lehigh counties, praying that a state road may be laid out from Kutztown to Mauch Chunk.

And the said petitions and remonstrance were

Laid on the table.

Mr. Petrikin presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Gregg township, Centre county, praying that the said township may be erected into a separate election district, and the elections thereof held at the house of David Cook.

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And the said petitions were referred to the committee on election districts.

Mr. Overholzer presented two petitions, of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of Lancaster county, praying for the repeal of the act relating to collateral inheritances.

Mr. Agnew presented a petition of like import with the foregoing.

Mr. Buyers presented a petition of like import with the foregoing.

And the said petitions were referred to the committee of ways and means.

Mr. Wise presented a petition from the first troop of Westmoreland county cavalry, praying the legislature to furnish them with swords and pistols.

When a motion was made by Mr. Wise that the same be referred to a select committee.

The motion being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Burden, to amend the same by striking therefrom "select committee," and inserting in lieu thereof, "committee on the militia system."

And the motion as amended was agreed to.

Mr. Burden presented a memorial from sundry pilots of the port of Philadelphia, praying for certain alterations in the laws relative to pilots and pilotages.

On motion of Mr. Burden,

Ordered, That the same, together with the memorial of the Philadelphia chamber of commerce, presented on the 21st ultimo, be referred to the members from the city and county of Philadelphia.

Mr. W. Forster presented three petitions, of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of Union county, praying that a part of the state road from Bellefonte to White Deer creek, may be vacated.

Which was referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

Mr. Cooper presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of York county, praying that the prothonotary and recorder of the said county, may be authorised or cause to be made, indexes to certain records therein mentioned.

Which was referred to the members from the said county.

Mr. Madden presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Union county, praying for certain alterations in the law relative to the erection of fish dams in the river Susquehanna.

Which was referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

Mr. Nicholson presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Fayette county, praying that a state road may be laid out from Uniontown to the Monongahela bridge adjoining Pittsburg.

Which was referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

Mr. Mathewson presented the petition of Polly Green, of Bradford county, accompanied with a document, praying the legislature to cancel the claim of the commonwealth against a certain tract of land therein mentioned.

Which were referred to Messrs. Mathewson, Wise and P. Stephens.

On motion of Mr. P. Stephens,

Ordered, That the petition of Samuel Weston, presented on the 23d ultimo, be referred to Messrs. P. Stephens, Shannon, Eldred, Gebhart and Krepps.

On motion of Mr. Snyder,

Ordered, That the petition of the German reformed church, presented on the 9th ultimo, be referred to Messrs. Snyder, Dorrance and Fackenthal.

On motion of Mr. Overholzer,

Ordered, That an item of unfinished business, relative to the erection of Elizabethtown, in Lancaster county, into a borough, be referred to Messrs. Overholzer, Patterson and W. Forster.

On motion of Mr. M'Creery,

Ordered, That an item of unfinished business, relative to a complaint against Justice Miller, of Washington county, be referred to Messrs. M'Creery, Ramsey, Gebhart, Cunningham and Bertolet.

A motion was made by Mr. Bell of Lebanon, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That the committee on the judiciary system be instructed to inquire into the propriety of making further provisions by law, to promote the comfort of the poor.

And on motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

A motion was made by Mr. Denny, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That three hundred copies of the Auditor General's report on banks, be printed for the use of the members.

And on motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and disagreed to.

Mr. P. Stephens obtained leave to withdraw the petition and documents of Constant Mathewson.

Mr. F. Smith, from the committee on the judiciary system, reported a bill No. 140, entitled "A supplement to an act entitled An act to regulate arbitrations and proceedings in courts of justice"

Which bill was read, and made the order of the day for Tuesday the 9th inst.

Mr. Alter, from the committee on agriculture, reported a bill, No. 141, entitled "A supplement to the act prescribing the duties of the sealers of dry measures of the city and county of Philadelphia."

Mr. Petrikin, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 23d ult. a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill No. 142, entitled "An act declaring Penn's creek, in Centre county, a public highway."

Mr. Binder, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 30th ultimo, a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill, No. 143, entitled "A supplement to an act entitled An act for establishing a health office, and to secure the city and port of Philadelphia from the introduction of pestilential and contagious diseases, and for other purposes."

Mr. Kennedy, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 13th ultimo, a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 144, entitled "An act to improve the navigation of Big creek, in the county of Northampton."

Mr. Beatty, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 18th ultimo, a petition on the subject, on leave given reported a bill,

No. 145, entitled, "An act authorising a review of the state road from the town of Butler, in Butler county, to the town of Franklin, in Venango county."

Mr. Binder, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 22d ult. a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 146, entitled "An act for the relief of John Newman, a deaf and dumb person."

Which bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Ringland, the resolution relative to tavern licenses, read on the 30 ult. was read the second time, considered and adopted

On motion of Mr. Denny, the resolution relative to brigade inspectors, read on the 30 ult. was read the second time, considered and adopted.

On motion of Mr. Bonsall, the resolution relative to weights and measures, read on the 30th ult. was read the second time, considered and adopted. And

Ordered, that the members from the city and county of Philadelphia be a committee for the purpose therein expressed.

The bill No. 73, entitled "An act to improve the breed of sheep in this commonwealth," was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered, to be transcribed for the third reading.

The bill No. 100, entitled "A supplement to the act entitled An act limiting the time during which judgments shall be a lien on real estate, and suits may be brought against the sureties of public officers," was read the second time.

And the first section being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. F. Smith, to amend the same by adding thereto, the following proviso, viz.

Provided, further, That such proceedings to revive any such judgment shall not in any manner affect the proceedings on any such execution, but such execution and the proceedings thereon shall be taken and considered as if the first proviso in this act had not been passed.

Which was agreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. F. Smith, to postpone the further consideration of the bill for the present.

Which was agreed to

The bill from the Senate No. 129, entitled "An act relative to the election of constables in certain counties," was read the second time.

And the first section being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. M'Sherry, to amend the same by inserting after "York," in the 5th line, "Adams."

The amendment being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. R. Miller, to amend the same by inserting after "Adams," "Chester."

Which was agreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Denny, that the bill be committed to the committee on the judiciary system.

Which was agreed to.

The bill No. 6, entitled "A supplement to the act, entitled An act to incorporate a company for making a turnpike road from

Butler to the Allegheny river, opposite Kittanning," was read the second time.

And the first section being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Ramsey, to postpone the further consideration of the same, together with the bill, until this day two weeks.

Which was disagreed to.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the section?

It was determined in the affirmative.

The title was considered and agreed to. And

Ordered, That the bill be transcribed for the third reading.

Agreeably to leave given,

The House again resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. P. Stephens in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 88, entitled "An act to alter the times of holding the courts in the counties of Montgomery, Greene and Clearfield."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with amendments.

And on motion,

The said bill was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered, to be prepared for the third reading, the title being amended by inserting after "Greene," "Beaver,"

On motion of Mr. Eldred, the rule which prohibits the reading of bills twice on the same day, being in this case dispensed with, the said bill was read the third time and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate, and request their concurrence in the amendments thereto by this House.

Agreeably to order,

The House again resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Rankin in the chair, on the bill No. 7, entitled "A further supplement to an act, entitled An act to incorporate the Kensington district of the northern Liberties."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

Leave was granted. And

Ordered, That the committee of the whole sit again Wednesday the 3d. inst.

Agreeably to leave given,

The House again resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. M'Bride in the chair, on the bill,

No. 90, entitled "An act concerning the proof and acknowledgement of deeds made abroad."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill without amendment.

Adjourned until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

TUESDAY, January 2, 1827.

The Speaker laid before the House the following return of the special election held in Columbia county, which was read as follows, viz.

We, the subscribers, judges of the special election held at the several election districts in Columbia county, in the commonwealth of Pennsylvania, on the 26th day of December, 1826, for the purpose of electing one person to represent the said county, in the House of Representatives, of the said commonwealth, in the room of John M'Reynolds, resigned, do certify that having taken charge of the certificates, of the number of votes given at our respective districts, for each candidate, for said office, we met at the court house, in Danville, in said county, the third day after said election, and then and there produced the said certificates, and added together the number of votes given, for each candidate, for said office, and did then and there find that John M'Reynolds had eight hundred and four votes, for said office; and that David Carnahan had five hundred and eighteen votes, for the same office. And we do further certify that John M'Reynolds is highest in votes, and is duly and legally elected to represent the county of Columbia, in the House of Representatives aforesaid, in the room of John M'Reynolds, resigned.

Witness our hands and seals this 29th day of December, 1826.

ELEAZAR BROTHWEL,	[L. S.]
GEORGE B. LANDBACH,	[L. S.]
JOHN WILLIVER,	[L. S.]
JOHN JONES,	[L. S.]
CHARLES ENT,	[L. S.]
JOHN SIMONTON,	[L. S.]
JACOB WARNER,	[L. S.]
WILLIAM SINGER,	[L. S.]
WM. WILSON,	[L. S.]
JAMES BEARD,	[L. S.]
AARON MUSGROVE,	[L. S.]
UZAL HOPKINS,	[L. S.]
DANIEL PURCEL,	[L. S.]

Laid on the table.

Whereupon,

Mr. M'Reynolds elected a representatives from Columbia county, appearing in the house, took and subscribed the requisite oaths.

The Speaker laid before the House a letter from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, accompanied with sundry depositions, interrogatories and cross-examinations, taken on a complaint against

James Walton, a justice of the peace, of Chester county, before Isaac Darlington, Esq. president of the 15th judicial district.

Which was read, and

Laid on the table.

Mr. Gebhart presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of the town of Berlin, in Somerset county, stating that the act erecting the said town into a borough, has become void, and praying that the same may be re-enacted.

Which was referred to Messrs. Gebhart, Cooper and Wolfersberger.

Mr. Beatty presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Butler county, praying for the review of a part of the state road from Pittsburg to Franklin.

Which was referred to Messrs. Beatty, Atkinson and Cunningham.

Mr. P. Stephens presented the petition of Constant Mathewson, of Bradford county, on behalf of himself and the other children, of Elisha Mathewson dec'd. accompanied with documents, stating that in consequence of a conveyance by their mother, during the minority of her children, of lands situate in Ulster township, they did not obtain the benefit of the provisions of the act of 19th March, 1810, entitled "An act for the purpose of adjusting the titles to lands in Bedford and Ulster townships, in Luzerne and Lycoming counties," and praying relief.

Which were referred to Messrs. P. Stephens, Eldred, Shannon, Barber, Nicholson, Hains and Burden.

Mr. M'Creery presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Washington and Allegheny counties, praying that a state road may be laid out from the state line, west of Eldersville, to the city of Pittsburg.

Mr. Mathews of Cambria, presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Somerset county, against annexing a part of the said county to Fayette county.

Mr. Rahn presented two petitions, of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of Schuylkill county, praying for the incorporation of a bank at Pottsville.

And the said petitions and remonstrance were

Laid on the table.

Mr. M'Clure presented three petitions, of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of Lycoming county, praying that a state road may be laid out from New Columbus to Jersey shore.

Which were referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

Mr. Overholzer presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Lancaster county, praying for the repeal of the act relative to collateral inheritances.

Mr. Buyers presented two petitions of like import with the foregoing.

And the said petitions were referred to the committee of ways and means.

Mr. Rahn presented the petition of Henry Orwig, of Schuylkill county, accompanied with a document, stating his services in the revolutionary war, and praying relief.

Mr. Rahn presented the petition of Michael Walleiser, of Schuylkill county, accompanied with a document, stating his services in the revolutionary war, and praying relief.

Mr. Ramsey presented the petition of William M'Crum, of Bucks county, accompanied with documents, stating his services in the revolutionary war, and praying relief.

Mr. Buyers presented the petition of Samuel Lockhart, of Lancaster county, accompanied with documents stating his services in the revolutionary war, and praying relief.

Mr. Ellis presented the petition of William Lemon, of Lycoming county, accompanied with documents, praying compensation for services rendered in the revolutionary war.

And the said petitions and documents were referred to the committee on claims.

Mr. Scudder presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Union county, praying that the mechanic's lien law may be extended to the said county.

Which was referred to Messrs. Scudder, Bell of Lebanon, and Atkinson.

Mr. Atkinson presented a petition from the administrators of Henry Hurst, late of Crawford county, deceased, praying for authority to sell and convey certain real estate.

Which was referred to Messrs. Atkinson, Madden and Kennedy.

Mr. Rahn presented a memorial from sundry inhabitants of Schuylkill county, approving of the conduct of judge Franks.

Mr. Lauman presented a memorial of like import with the foregoing, from sundry inhabitants of Dauphin county.

Which were read, and

Laid on the table.

Mr. Lehman presented a petition from the president and managers of the Susquehanna and Tioga turnpike road company, praying for legislative aid

Which was referred to Messrs. Lehman, Mathewson and P. Stephens.

Mr. Scudder presented a petition from the heirs of Daniel Bumgarner, late of Northumberland county, deceased, praying for authority to sell or make partition of certain real estate.

Which was referred to Messrs. Scudder, Haines and Pearson.

Mr. Ellis presented three petitions, of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of M'Kean county, praying for the repeal of the act of the last session, appropriating certain road taxes in the said county.

Which were referred to Messrs. Ellis, P. Stephens, Shannon, Duncan and Aughinbaugh.

Mr. Ellis presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Pine creek and Wayne townships, Lycoming county, praying that the said townships may be erected into a separate election district, and the elections thereof held at the house of John Brown, in Pine creek township.

Which was referred to the committee on election districts.

Mr. Alter presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Cumberland county, praying that the sum of three thousand dollars may be appropriated in aid of the erection of a bridge over the mouth of Conodoguinet creek.

Which was referred to the members from Cumberland and Perry counties.

Mr. Ellis presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Northumberland and Lycoming counties, praying that a state road may be laid out from Northumberland to Jersey shore.

Which was referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

Mr. Aughinbaugh presented three petitions, of similar tenor, from sundry citizens of this commonwealth, praying that the turn-pike roads within this commonwealth may be converted into free roads.

Which were referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

Mr. Dunlap, obtained leave of absence for a few days.

On motion of Mr. F. Smith,

Ordered, That an item of unfinished business, relative to improving the road from Strasburg to Sideling hill, be referred to Messrs F Smith, Alter and James.

Mr. Dillinger, from the committee appointed to compare bills and present them to the Governor for his approbation, made report, which was read as follows, viz.

That in conjunction with a similar committee from the Senate, they have compared and on yesterday presented to the Governor for his approbation, the bills entitled as follow, viz.

"An act to repeal the first section of the act, entitled An act for the relief of sundry widows of revolutionary soldiers."

"An act relative to constable's fees."

Laid on the table.

Mr. Lawson, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 13th ult. a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 147, entitled "An act to encourage the destruction of foxes and wild cats."

Which bill was read, and made the order of the day for Monday the 15th inst.

Mr. Snyder, from the committee to whom was, on yesterday, referred a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 148, entitled "An act to raise, by way of lottery, a sum of money for paying the debts due by the German reformed congregation in the Northern Liberties, in the county of Philadelphia."

Mr. P. Stephens, from the committee to whom was, on yesterday, referred a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 149, entitled "An act to annul the marriage contract of Samuel Weston and Julia Ann, his wife."

Mr. Overholzer, from the committee to whom was, on yesterday referred that item of unfinished business, reported a bill,

No. 150, entitled "An act to erect the town of Elizabethtown, in the county of Lancaster, into a borough."

Which bills were read, and
Laid on the table.

The bills entitled as follow, were severally read the third time and passed, viz.

No. 73, "An act to improve the breed of sheep in this commonwealth."

No. 6, "A supplement to the act, entitled An act to incorporate a company for making a turnpike road from Butler to the Allegheny river opposite Kittanning." And

Ordered, That the Clerk present the said bills to the Senate for concurrence.

The bill No. 90, entitled "An act concerning the proof and acknowledgement of deeds made abroad," was read the second time, considered and agreed to And

Ordered, to be transcribed for the third reading.

On motion of Mr. F. Smith,

The House resumed the second reading of the bill No. 100, entitled "A supplement to the act, entitled An act limiting the time during which judgments shall be a lien on real estate, and suits may be brought against the sureties of public officers."

When a motion was made by Mr. M'Sherry, to postpone the further consideration of the bill for the present.

Which was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Eldred,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Ringland in the chair, on the bill No. 63, entitled "An act to establish an academy in the town of Milford, in the county of Pike.

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill without amendment.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Cummin in the chair, on the bill No. 8, entitled "An act appropriating to internal improvement, certain depreciated paper in the Treasury of this commonwealth."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill without amendment.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Dillinger in the chair, on the bill No. 9, entitled "An act for the preservation of the records in the office of the Deputy Surveyor, in the county of Washington."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill without amendment.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Fackenthal in the chair, on the bill No. 10, entitled "An act to improve the Norwegian creek, in Schuylkill county."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

Leave was granted. And

Ordered, That the committee of the whole sit again on to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. M'Creery,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Ellis in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 82, entitled "An act for the relief of Matthias Rehr a soldier, and Hannah Margaret Kemmel, the widow of a soldier of the revolution."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill without amendment. And

On motion,

The said bill was read the second time considered and agreed to. And

Ordered, to be prepared for the third reading.

On motion of Mr. M'Creery, the rule which prohibits the reading of bills twice on the same day, being in this case dispensed with, the said bill was read the third time and passed. And

Ordered. That the Clerk return the same to the Senate.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. W. Forster in the chair, on the bill No. 11, entitled "An act for the relief of Joseph H. Fennemore."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill negatived.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the report of the committee of the whole?

A motion was made by Mr. Snyder, to postpone the question, together with the bill, for the present.

Which was agreed to.

Adjourned until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

WEDNESDAY, January 3, 1827.

The Speaker laid before the House a letter, (No. 93,) from the Auditor General, accompanied with a statement, (No. 94,) of the affairs of the Schuylkill bank.

Laid on the table.

The Secretary of the Commonwealth being introduced, presented a message from the Governor, which was read as follows, viz

To the Senate and House of Representatives of the commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

GENTLEMEN,

I have this day approved and signed the following acts of the General Assembly, and directed the Secretary of the Commonwealth to return them to the Houses in which they respectively originated, viz.

"An act to repeal the first section of an act, entitled An act for the relief of sundry widows of revolutionary soldiers."

"An act relative to constable's fees."

J. ANDW. SHULZE.

Harrisburg, January 2, 1827.

Laid on the table.

Mr. Beatty presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Butler county, praying that a state road may be laid out from Butler, through Free Port, to Greensburg.

Which was referred to the members from Butler, Armstrong and Westmoreland counties.

Mr. Gebhart presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Somerset county, against annexing a part of the said county to Fayette county.

Mr. M'Reynolds presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Columbia county, praying for certain alterations in the law relative to hawkers and pedlers.

Mr. M'Reynolds presented six petitions, of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of the 8th judicial district, praying for an inquiry into the official conduct of Seth Chapman, Esq. President Judge of the said district.

Mr. Ellis presented four remonstrances, of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of the eighth judicial district, against an inquiry into the official conduct of Judge Chapman.

Mr. W. Forster presented two remonstrances, of like import with the foregoing.

Mr. M'Clure presented ten remonstrances, of like import with the foregoing.

Mr. Scudder presented four remonstrances, of like import with the foregoing.

Mr. Madden presented three remonstrances, of like import with the foregoing.

And the said petitions and remonstrances were

Laid on the table.

Mr. Brown of Allegheny presented the petition of George Taylor and Parnela his wife, accompanied with documents, praying that the right of the commonwealth to the escheated estate of John Cunningham, late of Allegheny county, deceased, may be vested in them.

Which were referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

Mr. Cooper presented two petitions, of similar tenor, from sundry citizens of this commonwealth, praying that a company may be incorporated for the purpose of making a turnpike road from York Haven to the west end of the Harrisburg bridge, and also for an appropriation in aid of making the said road.

Which was referred to the committee on inland navigation and internal improvement.

Mr. M'Bride presented two petitions, of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of Columbia county, praying that the state road from Cattawissa to Pennaborough may be vacated.

Which were referred to Messrs M'Bride, Ellis and Aughinbaugh.

Mr. Eldred presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Pike county, praying for an alteration of the time of commencing the courts in the said county.

Which was referred to the committee on the judiciary system.

Mr. Overholzer presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Lancaster county, praying for the repeal of the act relative to collateral inheritances.

Mr. Barber presented a petition of like import with the foregoing.

And the said petitions were referred to the committee of ways and means.

Mr. M'Reynolds presented the petition of Jonathan Lodge, of Columbia county, praying for an inquiry into the official conduct of Judge Chapman.

Which was referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

Mr. Rahn presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Luzerne and Schuylkill counties, praying for an appropriation in aid of improving the state road from Orwigsburg to Nescopeck.

Which was referred to Messrs. Rahn, Thomas and Bell of Westmoreland.

Mr. Nicholson presented the petition of George Foreakers, of Fayette county, accompanied with documents, praying for a divorce from the bonds of matrimony.

Which were referred to Messrs. Nicholson, Bonsall and Bonner.

Mr. Ellis presented a document relative to the claim of Thomas Nichols.

Mr. Bonner presented the petition of Samuel Dewees, of Adams

county, stating his services in the revolutionary war, and praying relief.

And the said petition and document were referred to the committee on claims.

Mr. F. Smith obtained leave of absence for a few days from Friday next.

Mr. Alter obtained leave to withdraw the petition and documents of George Kling.

On motion of Mr. M'Creery,

Ordered, That the committee on claims be discharged from the further consideration of the petition of a town meeting of the citizens of Philadelphia, relative to the relief of revolutionary soldiers, and that the same be referred to Messrs. Walker, Bonsall, Duncan, Evans and Lawson.

A motion was made by Mr. Alter, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That the committee on agriculture be instructed to inquire what alteration, if any, be necessary in the law for the protection of vine-yards. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

A motion was made by Mr. Krepps, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That the usual number of copies of the Auditor General's report on banks be printed for the use of the members of this House. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

On motion of Mr. Scudder,

Ordered, That an item of unfinished business relative to laying out a state road from Watson's town to Berwick, be referred to Messrs. Scudder, Wolfersberger and Rankin.

On motion of Mr. Brown of Allegheny,

Ordered, That an item of unfinished business, relative to the claim of N. Patterson, brigade inspector, 1st brigade 15th division of Pennsylvania militia, be referred to the committee on the militia system.

Mr. M'Creery, from the committee on claims, made a report, (No. 95,) relative to the claim of Peter Moyer, accompanied with the following resolution, viz:

Resolved, That the committee be discharged from any further consideration of the subject.

And on motion,

The said resolution was read the second time considered and adopted.

Mr. M'Creery, from the committee on claims, made a report, (No. 96,) relative to the claim of Philip Mick, accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That the committee be discharged from any further consideration of the subject.

And on motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

Mr. Mallery, from the committee appointed to enquire into the conduct of judge Franks, made a report, (No. 97,) accompanied with the following resolution viz.

Resolved, That the committee be discharged from the consideration of the matters contained in the said second charge, and the specifications under it.

And on motion,

The said resolution was read the second time,

And being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Irwin, to amend the same by adding thereto these words, "And that the Speaker of this House be directed to issue a notification to Samuel D. Franks, Esq. President judge, of the 12th judicial district, of Pennsylvania, to appear in person, or by counsel, at the bar of the House on the day of

with such witnesses as he may think necessary in his defence, to answer the second charge and specifications, as exhibited against him, to a committee of this House, by certain petitioners of Dauphin county, and that the said petitioners, and the witnesses subpoenaed to support said charge and specifications be also notified to appear at the said time and place."

The amendment being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Meredith, to amend the same by inserting after "Specifications," where it occurs the second time, these words "by proof of any facts contained in the same, not amounting to indictable offences."

And on the question,

Will the House agree so to amend the amendment?

A motion was made by Mr. Burden, to postpone the question, together with the resolution, until to-morrow.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. M'Creery, from the committee on claims, reported a bill, No. 151, entitled "An act for the relief of William Peck and Simon Krewson, soldiers, and Margaret M'Clain, widow of a revolutionary soldier."

Mr. Pearson, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 21st ultimo, a petition on the subject, on leave given reported a bill, No. 152, entitled "A further supplement to an act, entitled an act to incorporate the district of Spring Garden."

Mr. F. Smith, from the committee to whom was, on yesterday, referred that item of unfinished business, reported a bill, No. 153, entitled "An act to aid in the improvement and completion of the state road from Strasburg to Sideling Hill."

Mr. Beatty, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 23d ultimo, a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill, No. 154, entitled "An act to authorise the Governor to convey in fee to the master and wardens of Perseverance Lodge, No. 21, and to their successors in office, part of a lot of ground in the borough of Harrisburg, for the purpose of erecting thereon a Masonic Hall."

Mr. Mathewson, from the committee to whom was referred, on

the 30th ult. a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill, No. 155, entitled "An act to appoint commissioners to open and improve a section of the state road from Athens, in Bradford county, to Wellesborough, in Tioga county."

Mr. Tutwiler, from the committee to whom were referred sundry petitions on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill, No. 156, entitled "An act to raise a sum of money, by way of lottery, to pay the debts of the turnpike companies."

Mr. Cooper, from the committee to whom was, on yesterday, referred a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill, No. 157, entitled "An act to provide for the making of indexes to certain dockets and books of record in York county."

Which bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

Mr. Ringland, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 30th ult. a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 158, entitled "A further supplement to the act, entitled An act to regulate the general elections within this commonwealth."

Which bill was read, and made the order of the day for Wednesday the 10th inst.

The bill No. 90, entitled "An act concerning the proof and acknowledgement of deeds made abroad."

Was read the third time and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

The bill No. 63, entitled "An act to establish an academy in the town of Milford, in the county of Pike," was read the second time,

And the sections to the 6th, inclusive, were severally considered and agreed to.

The 7th section being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Ramsey, to amend the same by striking from the 2d line, "two," and inserting in lieu thereof, "one."

And on the question,

Will the House agree so to amend?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Ramsey and Mr. Matts, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Aughinbaugh	Mr. M'Bride	Mr. Matts	
Krepps	M'Sherry	Ramsey	
Lauman	Madden	Wolford	9

NAYS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. Bertolet	Mr. Buyers
Alter	Binder	Cooper
Atkinson	Bonner	Cope
Barber	Bonsall	Cummin
Beatty	Boyd	Denny
Becker	Brown, Allegh.	Dillinger
Bell, Leb.	Brown, Lan.	Dorrance
Bell, West.	Burden	Duncan

YAYS.

Mr. Eldred
Ellis
Evans
Fackenthall
Farrell
W. Forster
W. B. Foster
Gebhart
Good
Hottenstein
Ihrie
Irwin
James
Kennedy
Kerr
Lawson
Lehman

Mr. M'Clure
M'Creery
M'Reynolds
Mallery
Mathews, Cam.
Mathewson
Meredith
G. Miller
R. Miller
Nicholson
Overholzer
Patterson
Pearson
Petrikin
Rahn
Rankin

Mr. Ringland
Shannon
F. Smith
J. R. C. Smith
Snyder
P. Stephens
Thomas
Thompson
Tutwiler
Walker
Whitlatch
Wilson
Wise
Wolfersberger
Woolverton
Ritner, Sp'r.

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So the question was determined in the negative.

And the section was agreed to.

The 8th section was considered and agreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Eldred, to amend the bill by adding thereto the following new section, viz.

Section 9. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That in consequence of the aforesaid grant, there shall be admitted into the said academy any number of poor children, not exceeding five, that may at any time be offered, to be taught gratis, but none of the said children so to be admitted shall be continued to be taught gratis, should others apply, longer than two years."

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the new section?

It was determined in the affirmative.

A motion was then made by Mr. Petrikin, further to amend the bill, by adding thereto the following new section, viz.

Section 10. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That the money granted by this act shall not be paid until the sum of one thousand dollars shall have been raised by private subscription, for the use of said institution.

Which was disagreed to.

The title was considered and agreed to. And

Ordered, That the bill be transcribed for the third reading.

Adjourned until 10 o'clock to morrow morning.

THURSDAY, January 4, 1827.

Mr. Bell of Westmoreland, presented the petition of Jane Martin, of Westmoreland county, accompanied with documents stating the services of her late husband, Peter Martin, in the revolutionary war, and praying relief.

Which were referred to the committee on claims.

Mr. Cooper presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Lower Chanceford township, York county, praying that the place of holding their general elections may be changed to the house of Nathaniel Scott.

Mr. Boyer presented two petitions, of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of Colebrookdale township, Berks county, praying that the place of holding their general elections may be changed to the house of Henry Ritter.

And the said petitions were referred to the committee on election districts.

Mr. Cummin presented a petition from David Glenn, Robert Brown and William Glenn, of Mifflin and Cumberland counties, praying that the money paid by them for a certain land warrant therein mentioned, may be refunded.

Which was referred to Messrs. Cummin, Barber and Evans.

Mr. P. Stephens presented a petition from the president and managers of the Abington and Waterford turnpike road company, praying that fifteen thousand dollars may be appropriated in aid of completing the said road.

Which was referred to Messrs. P. Stephens, Woolverton and Atkinson.

Mr. Woolverton presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Warren county, praying that Teonista creek, in the said county, may be declared a public highway.

Which was referred to Messrs. Woolverton, Hottenstein and Mathewson.

Mr. Madden presented a memorial from sundry inhabitants of the middle district of the supreme court, remonstrating against changing the place of holding the said court, from Sunbury to Harrisburg.

Which was referred to the committee on the judiciary system.

Mr. Overholzer presented a memorial from sundry stockholders of the Columbia bridge company, against any alteration in their act of incorporation.

Mr. Dorrance presented two petitions, of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of Dauphin county, praying for any inquiry into the conduct of judge Franks.

Mr. Lauman presented two petitions, of similar tenor, and of like import with the foregoing.

Mr. Lauman presented three remonstrances, of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of Dauphin county, against an inquiry into the conduct of judge Franks.

Mr. Agnew presented a remonstrance from the grand jurors and others, inhabitants of Union county, against an inquiry into the official conduct of judge Chapman.

Mr. Boyer presented two memorials, of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of Berks county, remonstrating against the construction of the Pennsylvania canal, and praying for the repeal of the act relative to collateral inheritances.

And the said petitions, memorials and remonstrances were Laid on the table.

Mr. Overholzer presented a memorial from the Select and Common Councils of the city of Lancaster, praying for authority to raise sixty thousand dollars, by way of lottery, in aid of supplying the said city with water.

Which was referred to the members from Lancaster county.

Mr. Overholzer presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Lancaster county, praying for the repeal of the act relative to collateral inheritances.

Which was referred to the committee of ways and means.

Mr. Dorrance presented a petition from the president and managers of the Middletown and Harrisburg turnpike road company, praying for certain alterations in their act of incorporation.

Which was referred to Messrs. Dorrance, Snyder and Overholzer.

Mr. Woolverton presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Warren county, praying for an appropriation in aid of improving the state road from Warren to the bridge over the North fork of Sandy lick creek, in Jefferson county.

Which was referred to Messrs. Woolverton, Shannon and Petriken.

Mr. Haines presented a petition from the heirs and legal representatives of John Hunter, late of Delaware county, deceased, praying for authority to sell and convey certain real estate therein mentioned.

Which was referred to Messrs. Haines, Matts and Gebhart.

Mr. Atkinson presented a document relative to the claim of Comfort Budge.

Which was referred to the committee on the judiciary system.

Mr. F. Smith, from the committee on the judiciary system, to whom was recommitted the bill from the Senate, No. 129, entitled "An act relative to the election of constables in certain counties," reported the same bill with amendments.

Which was read, and made the order of the day for to-morrow.

Mr. F. Smith, from the committee on the judiciary system, reported a bill, No. 159, entitled "An act altering the time of holding the several courts in the county of Pike."

Mr. Gebhart, from the committee to whom was referred, on the

2d inst. a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill, No. 160, entitled "An act to revive and continue in force an act, entitled an act to erect the town of Berlin, in Somerset county, into a borough.

Mr. Mathewson, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 1st inst. a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill, No. 161, entitled "An act for the relief of Polly Green, of Athens township, Bradford county."

Mr. Woolverton, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 23d ultimo, a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill, No. 162, entitled "An act appropriating a sum of money for opening and improving that part of the state road from Smethport, in M'Kean county, in a western direction to the western line of the state, which lies in the county of Crawford.

Mr. Ellis, from the committee to whom were referred, on the 2d inst. sundry petitions on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill, No. 163, entitled "An act to repeal in part an act entitled, 'An act to improve the leading roads in M'Kean and Jefferson counties."

Which bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

Mr. F. Smith, from the committee appointed in conjunction with a committee of the Senate, to report a system of rules for conducting business between the two Houses, reported the following resolutions, viz.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives, That all bills, resolutions, votes and amendments of either House to which the concurrence of both is necessary, as well as messages, shall be presented to the other House by the Clerk of the House from which they are sent, and shall be acted upon within eight days by the House receiving the same.

Resolved, That when the Clerk of either House shall wait on the other, notice thereof shall be given by the Sergeant-at-Arms or Door-keeper, to the Speaker, who shall declare the same to the House.

Resolved, That when either House shall request a conference, and appoint a committee for that purpose, the other House shall appoint a committee to confer; each conference shall be held at any time and place to be agreed on by the chairman.

Resolved, That no new bill shall be transmitted from or reviewed by either House, within four days next preceding the day fixed for the final adjournment.

Laid on the table.

The bill No. 63, entitled "An act to establish an academy in the town of Milford, in the county of Pike," was read the third time and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

The House resumed the consideration of the resolution postponed on yesterday, attached to the report of the committee appointed to inquire into the conduct of judge Franks.

And the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the amendment to the amendment ?

It was determined in the negative.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment ?

It was determined in the negative.

A motion was then made by Mr. Burden, to amend the resolution by striking therefrom these words, "that the committee be discharged from the consideration of the matters contained in the said 2d charge and the specifications under it," and inserting in lieu thereof these words, "that it is the opinion of this House, that the 2d charge and specifications alleged against Samuel D. Franks, president judge of the 12th judicial district, ought to be investigated by this House.

Resolved, That the committee be instructed to proceed in the investigation of the aforesaid charge and specifications."

The amendment being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Meredith, to amend the same by inserting after "investigated by this House," these words, "notwithstanding the said charge and specifications contain matters, (not being misdemeanors in office,) for which the party against whom they are alleged is liable to indictment in the ordinary tribunals of the country, and that no such indictment has yet been found and tried."

Which was agreed to.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment as amended ?

It was determined in the affirmative.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the resolution as amended ?

A division of the question was called for by Mr. Burden.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the first resolution as amended, viz.

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this House that the second charge and specifications alleged against Samuel D. Franks, president judge of the 12th judicial district, ought to be investigated by this House, notwithstanding the said charge and specifications contain matters (not being misdemeanors in office) for which the party against whom they are alleged, is liable to indictment in the ordinary tribunals of the country, and that no such indictment has yet been found and tried.

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Meredith and Mr. Rahn, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. Haines	Mr. Nicholson
Alter	Hergesheimer	Overholzer
Atkinson	Hottenstein	Patterson
Aughinbaugh	Ihrle	Pearson
Becker	Irwin	Ramsey
Bell, Leb.	James	Rankin
Binder	Kennedy	Ringland
Boyd	Kerr	Scudder
Brown, Allegh.	Krepps	Shannon
Burden	Lawson	F. Smith
Buyers	Lehman	J. R. C. Smith
Cooper	M'Clure	Snyder
Cope	M'Creery	P. Stephens
Denny	M'Reynolds	Thomas
Dillinger	M'Sherry	Thompson
Dorrance	Madden	Whitlatch
Dunlap	Mallery	Wilson
Evans	Mathews, Cam.	Wise
Fackenthall	Mathewson	Wolfersberger
W. Forster	Matts	Wolford
Gebhart	G. Miller	Ritner, Sp'r.
Good	R. Miller	

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NAYS.

Mr. Barber	Mr. Cummin	Mr. M'Bride
Beatty	Cunningham	Meredith
Bell, West.	Duncan	Petrikín
Bertolet	Ellis	Rahn
Bonner	Farrell	Tutwiler
Bonsall	W. B. Foster	Walker
Boyer	Lauman	Woolverton
Brown, Lan.		

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So the question was determined in the affirmative.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the second part of the resolution as amended? viz:

Resolved, "That the committee be instructed to proceed in the investigation of the aforesaid charge and specifications."

It was determined in the affirmative.

The bill, No. 8, entitled, "An act appropriating to internal improvement, certain depreciated paper in the Treasury of this Commonwealth," was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And,

Ordered, To be transcribed for the third reading.

The bill, No. 9, entitled, "An act for the preservation of the records in the office of the Deputy Surveyor, in the county of Washington," was read the second time, and the section was considered and agreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Meredith, to amend the bill by adding thereto the following new section, viz.

Section 2, *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That the prothonotary of the district court of the city and county of Philadelphia, be and he is hereby authorised and required to copy, or cause to be copied, such indexes and books of record in his office, as may from time and accident have become torn or defaced, and also to cause such volumes of indexes and records to be rebound as may require it, and all the reasonable expenses incurred by him in the discharge of the duties imposed on him by this section shall be paid by the commissioners of the county of Philadelphia, by warrants drawn on the treasurer of Philadelphia county, in the usual manner.

The new section being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Irwin, to amend the same, by inserting after "Philadelphia," these words, "and the register and recorder of Fayette county."

Which was agreed to.

And the new section as amended was agreed to.

The title was considered and agreed to, being amended by adding thereto, "and for other purposes." And

Ordered, That the bill be transcribed for the third reading.

Agreeably to leave given,

The House again resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Rankin in the chair, on the bill No 7, entitled "A further supplement to an act, entitled An act to incorporate the Kensington district of the Northern Liberties."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

When a motion was made by Mr. Lehman, that the committee of the whole be discharged from the further consideration of the bill, and that the same be committed to the members from the city and county of Philadelphia.

Which was agreed to.

Agreeably to leave given,

The House again resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Fackenthall in the chair, on the bill No 10, entitled "An act to improve the Norwegian creek, in Schuylkill county."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with amendments.

On motion of Mr. Meredith,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Thompson in the chair, on the bill No. 60, entitled "An act providing a mode of enforcing the payment of monies charged on any lands, tenements and hereditaments, by last will or testament."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill without amendment.

Adjourned until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

FRIDAY, January 5, 1827.

The Speaker laid before the House a letter from Henry J. Williams, (No. 98,) accompanied with a report, (No. 99,) from the Pennsylvania institution for the deaf and dumb, and documents, (No. 100,) A. and (No. 101,) B.

Which were read, and

Laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Krepps,

Ordered, That the usual number of copies of the said report and documents, be printed for the use of the Members.

The Speaker laid before the House a statement, (No. 102,) of the bank of Pennsylvania.

Laid on the table.

The Speaker laid before the House a letter from the Auditor General, (No. 103,) accompanied with statements, (No. 104 and 105,) relative to the accounts of brigade inspectors.

Which were read, and

Laid on the table.

The Speaker laid before the House a letter, (No. 106,) from the State Treasurer, accompanied with a statement, (No. 107,) of the contingent expenses of his office for the last year.

Which were read, and

Laid on the table.

Mr. Binder presented a memorial from sundry inhabitants of the city and county of Philadelphia, praying for the passage of a law to regulate the measurement of lime in the said city and county.

Which was referred to the members from the city and county of Philadelphia.

Mr. Bertolet presented the petition of George Schnell, of Berks county, accompanied with documents, praying compensation for rations furnished to a detachment of the militia in the late war.

Which were referred to Messrs. Bertolet, Shannon and Krepps.

Mr. Cooper presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Lower Chanceford township, York county, praying that the place of holding their general elections may be changed to the house of Joseph M^rSherry.

Which was referred to the committee on election districts.

Mr. Nicholson presented the petition of Joseph Eneix, brigade inspector, 2d. brigade, 13th division, Pennsylvania militia, praying for certain alterations in the militia law.

Which was referred to the committee on the militia system.

Mr. Bertolet presented four petitions, of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of Berks, Montgomery and Schuylkill coun-

ties, praying for a review of the state road from Orwigsburg to Stetler's tavern.

Which were referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

Mr. Matts presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Bucks county, against any alteration in the law relative to the appointment of treasurer of the said county.

Mr. Bell of Lebanon presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Lebanon county, against the removal of judge Franks, from office.

Mr. Ellis presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Northumberland county, against an inquiry into the official conduct of judge Chapman.

Mr. Woolverton presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Warren county, praying for certain alterations in the law providing for the transportation of the laws and journals of the Legislature.

And the said petition and remonstrances were

Laid on the table.

Mr. Hains presented the petition of William Latta, guardian of the minor children of the reverend John E. Latta, late of Lancaster county, deceased, praying for authority to sell and convey certain real estate therein mentioned.

Which was referred to Messrs. Haines, Agnew and Cooper.

Mr. Scudder presented a petition from the heirs and legal representatives of George Frey, late of Dauphin county, deceased, accompanied with a document, praying for authority to take possession of the real estate of the said George Frey, deceased.

Which were referred to Messrs. Scudder, Lauman, Evans, Thompson and Atkinson.

Mr. Wise presented sundry documents relative to the claim of Jacob Waters.

Mr. Wolfersberger presented the petition of Susanna Ney, of Lebanon county, accompanied with a document, praying compensation for a tract of donation land, to which her late father, George Dietrick, was entitled for his services in the revolutionary war.

And the said petition and documents were referred to the committee on claims.

Mr. Scudder presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Northumberland county, praying for an appropriation in aid of improving the state road from Sunbury to Rodgers' ferry.

Which was referred to Messrs. Scudder, Wolfersberger and Mathewson.

Mr. Wilson presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Huntingdon county, praying for the repeal of the act authorising the laying out of a state road from Alexander Ennis', in Huntingdon county, to Landisburg.

Which was referred to the members from Huntingdon, Mifflin and Perry counties.

Mr. Brown of Lancaster presented a petition from sundry in-

habitants of Lancaster county, praying for the repeal of the act relative to colateral inheritances.

Mr. Buyers presented a petition of like import with the foregoing.

Which were referred to the committee of ways and means.

On motion of Mr. M'Reynolds,

Ordered, That the petitions for, and remonstrances against, an inquiry into the conduct of judge Chapman, be referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

Mr. Fackenthall obtained leave to withdraw the petition and documents of Henry Quinn.

Mr. R. Miller obtained leave of absence for a few days.

On motion of Mr. M'Reynolds,

Ordered, That an item of unfinished business, relative to declaring Chilisquaque creek a public highway, be referred to Messrs. M'Reynolds, Patterson and Cope.

A motion was made by Mr. Snyder, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That the Auditor General be requested to furnish this House with a statement of the account against Jacob G. Tryon, late brigade inspector of the second brigade, first division, Pennsylvania militia, deceased; also what measures, if any have been, and what are in contemplation to be taken for the settlement of the same, accompanied with information of the practice of that office, in settlement of the accounts of brigade inspectors, of the several divisions, of the militia of this commonwealth, and particularly, what accounts have been allowed for music.

Laid on the table.

Mr. Ellis gave notice, that on to-morrow he would ask leave to bring in a bill entitled "An act to perpetuate testimony and for other purposes."

Mr. M'Creery, from the committee on claims reported a bill,

No. 164, entitled "An act for the relief William Lemmon and Andrew Shuster, revolutionary soldier."

Which bill was read, and

Laid on the table.

Mr. Alter, from the committee on agriculture, reported a bill, No. 165, entitled "An act for the protection of vine yards."

Which bill was read, and made the order of the day for Saturday the 13th inst.

Mr. M'Creery, from the committee on claims, reported a bill

No. 166, entitled "An act granting compensation to Jeremiah Murray, for a tract of donation land.

Which bill was read, and

Laid on the table.

Mr. M'Creery, from the committee on claims, made a report, (No. 108,) relative to the claim of Samuel Dewees, accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That the committee be discharged from any further consideration of the subject.

And on motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

Mr. M'Creery, from the committee on claims, made a report, (No. 109,) relative to the claim of Thomas Nichols, accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That the committee be discharged from any further consideration of the subject, and that the petitioner have leave to withdraw his petition and documents.

Laid on the table.

Mr. Alter, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 2d inst. a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 167, entitled "An act to appropriate a sum of money to build a bridge across the Conedoguinet creek, in Cumberland county."

Mr. Woolverton, from the committee to whom was, on yesterday, referred a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 168, entitled "An act declaring part of Teonista creek a public highway."

Mr. Nicholson, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 3d inst. a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 169, entitled "An act to annul the marriage contract of George Foreaker and Rebecca his wife."

Mr. Atkinson, from the committee to whom was referred on the 2d instant, a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 170, entitled "An act authorising the administrators of Henry Hurst, deceased, to sell and convey real estate.

Mr. Bonsall, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 5d instant, a petition on the subject, reported a resolution,

No. 171, "relative to the claim of revolutionary soldiers.

Mr. Overholzer, from the committee to whom was referred, on yesterday, a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 172, entitled "An act for raising, by way of lottery, the sum of sixty thousand dollars, for defraying the expenses of introducing water into the city of Lancaster,"

Mr. Bell of Westmoreland, from the committee to whom was referred on the 50th ult. a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 173, entitled "An act authorising the courts of quarter sessions of the county of Westmoreland, to regulate the ferries therein."

Mr. Bonsell, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 50th ult. a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill No. 174, entitled "An act to annul the marriage of Peter Hutz and Mary his wife."

Which bills and resolution were read, and

Laid on the table.

Mr. Lawson, from the committee to whom were referred the petition and documents of Prudence Steward, made a report,

(No. 110,) accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That the committee be discharged from the further consideration of the subject, and that the petitioner have leave to withdraw her petition and documents.

And on motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

The bills entitled as follow, were severally read the third time and passed, viz.

No. 8, "An act appropriating to internal improvement certain depreciated paper in the treasury of this commonwealth."

No. 9, An act for the preservation of the records in the office of the deputy surveyor in the county of Washington, and for other purposes." And,

Ordered, That the clerk present the said bills to the Senate for concurrence.

The bill, No. 10, entitled, An act to improve the Norwegian creek in Schuylkill county," was read the second time, and the first section being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Boyd, to postpone the further consideration of the same, together with the bill, for the present.

Which was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Duncan,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Irwin in the chair, on the bill No. 66, entitled, "A supplement to the act, entitled An act to provide for the education of children at the public expense, within the city and county of Philadelphia, passed 3d, March 1818."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill without amendment. And,

On motion,

The said bill was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And,

Ordered, To be transcribed for the third reading.

On motion of Mr. Irwin,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Ellis in the chair, on the bill, No. 78, entitled "A supplement to an act for laying out, making and keeping in repair the public roads and highways within this commonwealth, and for laying out private roads."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Leave was granted. And,

Ordered, That the committee of the whole sit again on Monday the 8th inst.

On motion of Mr. Ellis,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Boyd in the chair, on the bill, No. 56, entitled "An act to incorporate the borough of Muncy, in Lycoming county.

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with amendments.

Agreeably to the order of the day,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. W. B. Foster in the chair, on the bill No. 104, entitled "An act granting a premium to the children of the poor of this commonwealth, for good conduct and improvement in school learning."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

Leave was granted And,

Ordered, That the committee of the whole sit again on the first Monday of February next.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, presented for concurrence the bills entitled as follow, viz.

No. 175, "An act annexing part of Berks county to the county of Lebanon."

No. 176, "An act to make valid certain acts of Charles Deshler, a justice of the peace."

And gave information,

That the Senate have concurred in the amendments by the House of Representatives, to the bill from the Senate, No. 83, entitled "An act to alter the times of holding the courts in the counties of Montgomery, Greene and Clearfield."

Adjourned until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.



SATURDAY, January 6, 1827.

Mr. Martin, elected a representative from Delaware county, in the room of Mr. Engle, resigned, appearing in the House, took and subscribed the requisite affirmations.

Mr. W. Forster, presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Union and Centre counties, praying for an appropriation in aid of improving the road through the Brush Valley narrows.

Mr. J. Stevens presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Bucks county, praying for certain alterations in the law regulating fences.

Mr. Bell of Lebanon presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Lebanon county, against the removal of judge Franks, from office.

Mr. Lauman presented a remonstrance of like import with the foregoing, from sundry inhabitants of Dauphin county.

Mr. Woolverton presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Warren county, praying for certain alterations in the law relative to the sale of lands for taxes.

Mr. Overholzer presented two petitions, of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of the city of Lancaster, praying for authority to raise sixty thousand dollars, by way of lottery, in aid of supplying the said city with water.

Mr. Martin presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Delaware county, praying for certain alterations in the law relative to the election of constables.

And the said petitions and remonstrances were

Laid on the table.

Mr. M'Clure presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Lycoming county, praying that a state road may be laid out from New Columbus to Jersey Shore.

Which was referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

Mr. M'Clure presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Northumberland and Lycoming counties, praying that a state road may be laid out from Northumberland to Jersey Shore.

Which was referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

Mr. M'Clure presented four remonstrances, of similar tenor from sundry inhabitants of Lycoming county, against an inquiry into the official conduct of judge Chapman.

Mr. M'Reynolds presented two remonstrances, of similar tenor, and of like import with the foregoing, from sundry inhabitants of Columbia county.

Mr. M'Clure presented a remonstrance of like import with the foregoing, from the commissioners of Lycoming county.

Mr. Ellis presented a remonstrance of like import with the foregoing, from sundry inhabitants of Lycoming county.

And the said remonstrances were referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

Mr. M'Creery presented eight petitions, of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of Washington and Allegheny counties, praying that a state road may be laid out from the Middletown and Wellsburg turnpike road, where the West Liberty road crosses the same, in Washington county, to the Washington and Pittsburg turnpike road at Ramsey's ford, in Allegheny county.

Which were referred to the members from the said counties.

Mr. Haines presented the petition of Benjamin W. Gardner, of Chester county, praying for a divorce from the bonds of matrimony.

Which was referred to Messrs. Haines, Pearson and Rankin.

Mr. Brown of Allegheny presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Allegheny county, praying the legislature to request the senators and representatives from this state in the congress of

the United States, to use their exertions in procuring the passage of a general bankrupt law.

Which was referred to the committee on the judiciary system.

Mr. Overholzer presented a petition from the German religious society of 7th day Baptists, of Ephrata, in Lancaster county, praying for certain alterations in their act of incorporation.

Which was referred to Messrs. Overholzer, Ellis and Duncan.

Mr. Ellis presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Ceres township, M'Kean county, praying that the place of holding their general elections may be changed to the house now occupied by John Lee.

Which was referred to the committee on election districts.

Mr. Barber presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Lancaster county, praying for certain alterations in the law relative to the support of the poor of the said county.

Which was referred to the members from the said county.

A motion was made by Mr. P. Stephens, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to bring in a bill providing for the removal of the seat of government of this state to the town of Northumberland, in the county of Northumberland.

Laid on the table

Mr. Ellis obtained leave to bring in a bill, entitled "An act relative to perpetuating testimony, and for other purposes."

Whereupon,

Messrs. Ellis, Shannon, Scudder, Cooper and Martin, were appointed a committee to prepare and bring in a bill accordingly.

Mr. Wise, from the committee appointed to inquire into the official conduct of judge Chapman, made a report, (No. 111,) accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That the committee be discharged from any further consideration of the petition. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, and being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. M'Reynolds, to postpone the further consideration of the same for the present.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Wise, from the committee appointed to inquire into the official conduct of judge Chapman, made a report, (No. 112,) accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That the committee be discharged from any further consideration of said petitions. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, and being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Eldred, to postpone the further consideration of the same for the present.

And on the question,

Will the House agree so to postpone?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. M'Reynolds and Mr. J. Stevens, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. Cummin	Mr. M'Reynolds
Alter	Dorrance	M'Sherry
Atkinson	Dunlap	Mathewson
Barber	Eldred	Matts
Beatty	Fackenthall	Ramsey
Becker	W. B. Foster	J. R. C. Smith
Bell, West.	Kennedy	J. Stevens
Brown, Allegh.	Lawson	Wilson
Buyers	M'Bride	

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NAYS.

Mr. Aughinbaugh	Mr. W. Forster	Mr. Patterson
Bell, Leb.	Gebhart	Pearson
Binder	Haines	Pennypacker
Bonner	Hergesheimer	Rankin
Bonsall	Hottenstein	Ringland
Boyd	James	Scudder
Brown, Lan.	Krepps	Shannon
Burden	Lauman	Snyder
Cooper	Lehman	P. Stephens
Cope	M'Clure	Thompson
Cunningham	M'Creery	Tutwiler
Denny	Madden	Walker
Dillinger	Martin	Whitlatch
Duncan	Mathews, Cam.	Wise
Ellis	G. Miller	Wolfersberger
Evans	Nicholson	Ritner, Sp'r.
Farrell	Overholzer	

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So the question was determined in the negative.

And the resolution was adopted.

Mr. Cummin, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 4th inst. a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 177, entitled "An act for the relief of Davis Glenn, William Glenn and Robert Brown."

Mr. M'Bride, from the committee to whom were referred, on the 3d inst. sundry petitions on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 178, entitled "An act to vacate a state road laid out from Catawissa to Pennsborough."

Mr. Bonsall, from the committee appointed for that purpose, reported a bill,

No. 179, entitled "An act concerning weights and measures."

Mr. Dorrance, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 4th inst. a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 180, entitled "A further supplement to the act, entitled An act incorporating a company for making a turnpike road from

Middletown to Harrisburg, passed the 19th day of March, 1810."

Which bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

The bill No. 66, entitled "A supplement to the act, entitled An act to provide for the education of children at the public expense, within the city and county of Philadelphia, passed the 3d, of March, 1818," was read the third time and passed, and

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

The bill No. 56, entitled "An act to incorporate the borough of Muncy, in Lycoming county," was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered, To be transcribed for the third reading.

On motion of Mr. Ihrie,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Madden in the chair, on the bill,

No. 18, entitled "An act to improve a certain public road crossing the Lehigh hills opposite the village of Bethlehem, in Northampton county."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with amendments.

On motion of Mr. Farrell,

The House proceeded to the nomination of candidates for the office of State Treasurer.

When Mr. Farrel nominated William Clark.

On motion,

Mr. Cunningham was appointed teller on the part of the House, to officiate at the election of State Treasurer, on Tuesday next. And

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate of the same.

Agreeably to the order of the day,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Atkinson in the chair, on the bill

No. 97, entitled "An act exempting certain materials and mechanic's tools from distress and sale for rent."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

Leave was granted. And

Ordered, That the committee of the whole sit again on Tuesday the 9th inst.

Agreeably to the order of the day,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Woolverton in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 129, entitled "An act relative to the election of constables in certain counties."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with amendments.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Hottenstein in the chair, on the bill No. 12, entitled "A supplement to an act relative to state roads, therein mentioned, passed 5th April, 1826."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with amendments.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, presented the following extracts from their journal, viz.

"IN THE SENATE,

JANUARY 5, 1827.

On motion,

The report and resolutions of the joint committee to form a system of rules, to be observed in conducting the business between the two Houses, were read a second time, considered and adopted. And

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the House of Representatives of the same.

"IN THE SENATE,

JANUARY 6, 1827.

On motion,

Ordered, That Mr. Audenried be the teller on the part of the Senate, to officiate at the election for State Treasurer on Tuesday next.

Laid on the table.

Adjourned until 10 o'clock on Monday morning next.



MONDAY, January 8, 1827.

Mr. Kennedy presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Northampton and Lehigh counties, praying for an appropriation in aid of improving the navigation of Big creek.

Mr. Dillinger presented a petition of like import with the foregoing.

Mr. Gebhart presented a memorial from sundry inhabitants of Somerset county, remonstrating against the further construction

of the Pennsylvania canal, and praying for the repeal of the act relative to collateral inheritances.

Mr. Cummin presented three petitions, of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of Mifflin county, praying for a division of the said county.

Mr. Martin presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Delaware county, praying for certain alterations in the law relative to the election of constables in the said county.

Mr. Bell of Lebanon presented two remonstrances, of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of Lebanon county, against the removal of judge Franks from office.

And the said petitions and remonstrances were

Laid on the table.

Mr. Mallery presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Luzerne county, praying that one half of the road taxes in the township of Union, and the whole of the road taxes in the township of Huntingdon, in the said county, may be appropriated for the term of four years in aid of improving the Wilkesbarre, Plymouth and Union road.

Which was referred to Messrs. Mallery, Wilson and Shannon.

Mr. Bonsall presented a memorial from the academy of natural sciences of Philadelphia, praying that their hall and the lot of ground on which the same is erected may be exempted from taxation.

Which was referred to the members from the city of Philadelphia.

Mr. Ihrie presented a petition from the commissioners and treasurer of Northampton county, praying for certain alterations in the fee bill.

Mr. Ihrie presented a petition from the commissioners and treasurer of Northampton county, praying for certain alterations in the law relative to the meeting of county auditors.

And the said petitions were referred to the committee on the judiciary system.

Mr. Cummin presented two petitions, of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of Mifflin, Union and Perry counties, praying that a state road may be laid out from Schnee's mill, in Union county to the Dug Hill, in Perry county.

Which were referred to the members from the said counties.

Mr. Brown of Lancaster presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Lancaster county, praying for certain alterations in the law relative to the support of the poor of the said county.

Mr. Barber presented two petitions, of like import with the foregoing.

Mr. Agnew presented a petition of like import with the foregoing.

And the said petitions were referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

Mr. Irwin presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Fayette and Washington counties, praying the courts of quarter ses-

sions of the said counties may be authorised to regulate ferries in the said counties.

Which was referred to the members from the said counties.

Mr. Evans presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Montgomery and Berks counties, praying that a state road may be laid out from Pottstown to Trexler's store.

Which was referred to the members from the said counties.

Mr. Lehman presented the memorial of the Union canal company, accompanied with documents, remonstrating against the repeal of the law prohibiting the sale of foreign lottery tickets.

Which were read, and referred to the committee of ways and means.

Mr. Martin presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Delaware county, praying that a company may be incorporated for the purpose of making a turnpike road from the Delaware state line, through Chester and Darby, to Philadelphia.

Which was referred to Messrs. Martin, Thompson, Bonsall, Cunningham, Gebhart, Bell of Lebanon and Nicholson.

A motion was made by Mr. M'Reynolds, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to introduce a bill to provide for the payment of certain books of record for the county of Columbia. And

On motion

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted. And

Ordered, That Messrs. M'Reynolds, Snyder and J. Stevens be a committee for the purpose therein expressed.

A motion was made by Mr. Ellis, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That the Clerk of this House be directed to purchase for the use of this House two complete sets of the cases adjudged in the courts of this state, and also two complete sets of the American digest of American cases, and to defray the expense of such purchase out of the contingent fund. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

On motion of Mr. Krepps,

Ordered, That an item of unfinished business, relative to granting relief to the representatives of Peter Hertzog, deceased, be referred to the committee on the militia system.

On motion of Mr. M'Reynolds,

Ordered, That an item of unfinished business relative to the streets, lanes and alleys of the town of Washington, in Columbia county, be referred to Messrs. M'Reynolds, W. Forster and Barber.

On motion of Mr. Overholzer,

Ordered, That an item of unfinished business, relative to improving the road from Lancaster to Reading, be referred to the members from Lancaster and Berks counties.

Mr. Eldred obtained leave of absence for a few days from Wednesday next.

Mr. Mathewson obtained leave of absence for a few days from Thursday next.

Mr. Dillinger, from the committee appointed to compare bills and present them to the Governor for his approbation, made report, which was read as follows, viz.

That in conjunction with a similar committee from the Senate, they have compared, and on Saturday presented to the Governor for his approbation, the bills entitled as follow, viz.

An act for the relief of Mathias Rehr, a soldier, and Hannah Margaret Kemmel, the widow of a soldier of the revolution.

An act to alter the time of holding the courts in the counties of Montgomery, Greene, Clearfield and Beaver.

Laid on the table.

Mr. Lehman, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 2d inst. a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 181, entitled "An act authorising the Governor to subscribe to the stock of the Susquehanna and Tioga turnpike road company."

Mr. Mallery, from the committee to whom were referred, on the 14th ultimo, sundry petitions on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 182, entitled "An act to authorize the Governor to incorporate a company for making an artificial road from the borough of Wilkesbarre, in the county of Luzerne, by the way of Solomon's gap and Mauch Chunk, to the borough of Northampton, in the county of Lehigh."

Mr. Woolverton, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 4th inst. a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 183, entitled "An act appropriating a sum of money for opening and improving the state road commencing at the town of Warren, in the county of Warren, and ending on the Susquehanna and Waterford turnpike road, in Jefferson county."

Mr. Overholzer, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 6th inst. a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 184, entitled "A supplement to the act, entitled An act to incorporate the German religious society of seventh day Baptists of Ephrata, in the township of Cocalico, in the county of Lancaster, and for other purposes."

Mr. Hetrick, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 18th. ultimo, that item of unfinished business, reported a bill,

No. 185, entitled "A further supplement to an act, entitled An act to improve the navigation of the Susquehanna river."

Which bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, presented for concurrence the bills entitled as follow, viz.

No. 186, "An act for the appointment of an inspector of pot and pearl ashes, for the port of Philadelphia, and for regulating the inspection of the same."

No. 187, "An act authorising the laying out a state road in Beaver and Mercer counties, and also in Beaver and Allegheny counties."

Which bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

The bill No. 56, entitled "An act to incorporate the borough of Muncy, in Lycoming county," was read the third time and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. P. Stephens, the resolution relative to the removal of the seat of government, read on the 6th inst. was read the second time, considered and adopted. And

Ordered, That Messrs. P. Stephens, Bonsall, Lawson, Woolverton, Beatty, Scudder, Madden, Kennedy and Binder, be a committee for the purpose therein expressed.

On motion of Mr. Wise, the House resumed the second reading of the resolution attached to the report of the committee relative to an inquiry into the conduct of judge Chapman, postponed on the 6th inst.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the same?

It was determined in the affirmative.

The bill, No. 18, entitled "An act to improve a certain public road crossing the Lehigh hills, opposite the village of Bethlehem, in Northampton county, was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And,

Ordered, To be transcribed for the third reading.

The bill from the Senate, No. 129, entitled "An act relative to the election of constables in certain counties," was read the second time.

And the section being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. M'Bride, to amend the same, by inserting "Columbia," after "Greene."

The motion being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Woolverton, to amend the same by inserting "Erie and Warren."

Which was agreed to.

And the amendment as amended was agreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Bonner, further to amend the section, by inserting after "repealed," in the 6th line, these words, "*Provided however*, that no person shall be re-eligible for more than six in any term of nine years."

Which was disagreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Irwin, to amend the section by inserting "Fayette," after "Warren,"

Which was agreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Petrikin, further to amend the section by inserting "Centre and Clearfield," after "Fayette."

Which was agreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Scudder, further to amend the section by inserting "Northumberland," after "Clearfield."

Which was agreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. G. Miller, further to amend the section, by inserting "Lehigh," after "Northumberland."

Which was agreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Wise, that the bill be recommended to a select committee.

Which was disagreed to.

And the section as amended was agreed to.

The title was considered and agreed to. And,

Ordered, That the bill be prepared for the third reading.

The Secretary of the Commonwealth being introduced, presented a message from the Governor, which was read as follows, viz.

To the Senate and House of Representatives of the commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

GENTLEMEN,

I have this day approved and signed the following acts of the General Assembly, and directed the Secretary of the Commonwealth to return them to the Senate, in which they originated, viz.

An act for the relief of Matthias Rehr, a soldier, and Hannah Margaret Kemmell, the widow of a soldier of the revolution.

An act to alter the times of holding the courts in the counties of Montgomery, Greene, Clearfield and Beaver.

J. ANDW. SHULZE.

Harrisburg, January 8, 1827.

Laid on the table.

The Secretary of the commonwealth, also presented a message from the Governor, No. 113, accompanied with a report (No. 114,) of the Commissioners, appointed to investigate the concerns of the Northern bank of Pennsylvania.

Which message and document, were

Laid on the table.

On leave given,

A motion was made by Mr. Beatty, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That as a token of respect to Andrew Jackson, the man who, with his brave companions in arms, so triumphantly overcame on the 8th of January, 1815, the united military skill and daring bravery of the victors of Napoleon. The House of Representatives will now adjourn to join in the festivities of a day set apart under providence, by American valor and patriotism, as a jubilee, with the people.

And on motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, and being under consideration.

A motion was made by Mr. Petrikin, to amend the same, by striking therefrom "now," and inserting in lieu thereof, "at one o'clock."

Which was disagreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Lawson, that the House adjourn.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Burden and Mr. Krepps, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. Buyers	Mr. James
Alter	Cooper	Lawson
Atkinson	Cope	M'Bride
Barber	Cunningham	M'Sherry
Becker	Dillinger	Martin
Bell, Leb.	Dunlap	G. Miller
Bell, West.	Good	Pennypacker
Bertolet	Haines	Rankin
Boyer	Hottenstein	Woltersberger

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NAYS.

Mr. Aughinbaugh	Mr. Hergesheimer	Mr. Pearson
Beatty	Hetrick	Petrikin
Binder	Ihrle	Rahn
Bonner	Irwin	Ramsey
Bonsall	Kennedy	Ringland
Boyd	Kerr	Scudder
Brown, Allegh.	Krepps	Shannon
Brown, Lan.	Lauman	J. R. C. Smith
Burden	Lehman	Snyder
Cummin	M'Clure	P. Stephens
Denny	M'Creery	J. Stevens
Dorrance	M'Reynolds	Thomas
Duncan	Madden	Thompson
Eldred	Mathews, Cam.	Tutwiler
Ellis	Matts	Walker
Evans	Meredith	Wilson
Fackenthall	J. Miller	Wise
Farrell	Nicholson	Wolford
W. Forster	Overholzer	Woolverton
W. B. Foster	Patterson	Ritner, Sp'r.
Gebhart		

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So the question was determined in the negative.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the resolution?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Burden and Mr. Petrikin, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Haines	Mr. Overholzer
Aughinbaugh	Hergesheimer	Patterson
Beatty	Ihrle	Pearson
Bell, Leb.	Irwin	Pennypacker
Bell, West.	Kennedy	Ramsey
Binder	Kerr	Rankin
Bonner	Krepps	Ringland
Bonsall	Lauman	Scudder
Boyd	Lawson	J. R. C. Smith
Brown, Allegh.	Lehman	Snyder
Burden	M'Clure	P. Stephens
Cummin	M'Creery	J. Stevens
Cunningham	M'Reynolds	Thomas
Dorrance	M'Sherry	Thompson
Duncan	Madden	Tutwiler
Eldred	Martin	Walker
Ellis	Mathews, Cam.	Wilson
Fackenthall	Matts	Wise
Farrell	Meredith	Wolfersberger
W. Forster	J. Miller	Wolford
W. B. Foster	Nicholson	Woolverton
Gebhart		

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NAYS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. Cooper	Mr. James
Alter	Denny	M'Bride
Barber	Dillinger	G. Miller
Becker	Dunlap	Petrikia
Bertolet	Evans	Rahn
Boyer	Good	Shannon
Brown, Lan.	Hetrick	Ritner, Sp'r.
Buyers	Hottenstein	

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So the question was determined in the affirmative.

Adjourned until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.



TUESDAY, January 9, 1827.

The Speaker laid before the House a letter from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, accompanied with sundry depositions, in-

terrogatories and cross-examinations, taken on a complaint against Joseph Lester, a justice of the peace, of Northampton county, before John Cooper, Esq. an associate judge of the said county.

On motion of Mr. Ihrie,

Ordered, That the same be referred to Messrs. Ihrie, Tutwiler, M'Bride, Boyd and Ramsey.

Mr. Rahn presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Schuylkill county, against the incorporation of companies for the purpose of mining and transporting coal.

Mr. M'Bride presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Columbia county, praying for the establishment of a bank at Pottsville.

Mr. M'Reynolds presented a document relative to the claim of William Lemon.

Mr. Scudder presented two remonstrances, of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of Northumberland county, against the removal of the place of holding the supreme court, from Sunbury to Harrisburg.

Mr. M'Reynolds presented a remonstrance, of like import with the foregoing, from sundry inhabitants of Columbia county.

Mr. M'Reynolds presented a remonstrance, from sundry inhabitants of Columbia county, against the vacation of the state road from Cattawissa to Pennsborough.

And the said petition, document and remonstrances, were

Laid on the table.

Mr. Brown of Allegheny, presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Allegheny and Washington counties, praying that the Pittsburg and Steubenville turnpike road company may be authorised to receive toll at the brigade across the mouth of Saw Mill Run.

Which was referred to the members from the said counties.

Mr. Burden presented a petition, from the female hospitable society of Philadelphia, accompanied with a document, praying for an act of incorporation.

Which were referred to Messrs. Burden, Lawson and Bell of Lebanon.

Mr. Mallery presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Covington township, Luzerne county, praying that the place of holding their general elections may be changed to the town house of Covington, at the Four Corners.

Which was referred to the committee on election districts.

Mr. McClure presented two remonstrances, of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of Lycoming county, against an inquiry into the official conduct of judge Chapman.

Mr. Ellis presented five remonstrances of like import with the foregoing.

Mr. W. Foster presented a remonstrance of like import with the foregoing, from sundry inhabitants of Union county.

And the said remonstrances were referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

Mr. Ellis presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of

Northumberland and Lycoming counties, praying that a state road may be laid out from Northumberland to Jersey Shore.

Which was referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

A motion was made by W. B. Foster and read as follows viz.

Resolved, That the Clerk of this House be directed to pay out of the contingent fund, the postage on all printed documents, relating to the internal improvement of the state, sent by the members, to their constituents, and that members sending such documents, endorse the titles, the number of sheets enclosed, and their names respectively upon the envelope.

And on motion,

The said resolution was read the second time and being under consideration.

A motion was made by Mr. Meredith to amend the same by inserting after "State" these words "and all letters."

When a motion was made by Mr. Wise to postpone the amendment, together with the resolution, until to-morrow.

Which was disagreed to.

And the amendment was agreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Lawson, further to amend the resolution by adding thereto "And also their names on such letters." Which was agreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Denny, to postpone the further consideration of the resolution indefinitely,

Which was disagreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Farrell, to postpone the further consideration of the resolution until Thursday next.

Which was disagreed to.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the resolution as amended.

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Wise and Mr. Rahn, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. W. B. Foster	Mr. Patterson
Atkinson	Gebhart	Pennypacker
Aughinbaugh	Haines	Petrikín
Barber	Hottenstein	Rankin
Beatty	Lawson	Ringland
Bonsall	Lehman	Scudder
Boyd	M'Clure	Shannon
Brown, Allegh.	M'Creery	J. R. C. Smith
Burden	M'Reynolds	Snyder
Buyers	Mallery	P. Stephens
Cooper	Martin	Thomas
Cummin	Mathews, Cam.	Thompson
Cunningham	Mathewson	Tutwiler
Duncan	Matts	Walker
Eldred	Meredith	Wilson
Ellis	J. Miller	Woolverton
Fackenthall	Overholzer	Ritner, Sp'r.
W. Forster		

MAY.

Mr. Alter	Mr. Evans	Mr. M'Sherry
Becker	Farrell	Matheys, Mont.
Bell, Leb.	Good	G. Miller
Bell, West.	Hergesheimer	Nicholson
Bertolet	Hetrick	Pearson
Binder	Ihrle	Rahn
Bonner	Irwin	Ramsey
Boyer	James	J. Stevens
Brown, Lan.	Kennedy	Whitlatch
Cope	Kerr	Wise
Denny	Krepps	Wolfsberger
Dillinger	Lauman	Wolford
Dorrance	M'Bride	

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So the question was determined in the affirmative.

On motion of Mr. M'Creery.

Ordered, That Mr. M'Creery and Mr. Bonsall be a committee to introduce the Speaker and members of the Senate, into the Hall of the House of Representatives, at 12 o'clock this day, for the purpose of proceeding, in conjunction with the members of this House, to the election of a State Treasurer.

A motion was made by Mr. Brown of Allegheny, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, in General Assembly met, That the Secretary of the Commonwealth be authorised and directed to supply the Clerk of the Senate, and the Clerk of the House of Representatives with a sufficient number of copies of the last edition of Pardon's Digest, if the same can be purchased for a sum not exceeding four dollars per copy, for the use of such members of the Senate and the House of Representatives, who have not been already supplied with a copy thereof, under any former resolution of the legislature.

Laid on the table.

Mr. Krepps obtained leave to withdraw the petition and documents of the administrator of Peter Hertzog, deceased.

Mr. Ellis, from the committee appointed for the purpose reported a bill,

No. 189, entitled "An act to perpetuate testimony in certain cases and for other purposes."

Which bill was read, and made the order of the day for Tuesday the 16th instant.

Mr. M'Reynolds, from the committee appointed, on yesterday, for that purpose, reported a bill,

No. 190, entitled "An act directing certain books of record to be procured."

Mr. Barber, from the committee to whom were referred sundry petitions on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 191, entitled "A supplement to the act, entitled An act to provide for the erection of houses for the employment and sup-

port of the poor in the counties of Chester and Lancaster, passed the 27th day of February, 1798."

Mr. Overholzer, from the committee to whom was referred, on yesterday, that item of unfinished business, reported a bill,

No. 192, entitled "An act appointing commissioners to improve and repair the road from the city of Lancaster to the borough of Reading."

Mr. Bonsall, from the committee to whom was, on yesterday, referred a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 193, entitled "A supplement to the act, entitled An act to incorporate the Academy of Natural Sciences of Philadelphia."

Which bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

The bill No. 18, entitled "An act to improve a certain public road crossing the Lehigh hills, opposite the village of Bethlehem, in Northampton county," was read the third time and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

The bill from the Senate No. 129, entitled "An act relative to the election of constables in certain counties," was read the third time and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate, and request their concurrence in the amendments thereto by this House.

On motion of Mr. Bonsall,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Shannon in the chair, on the resolution No. 171, relative to the claims of revolutionary soldiers.

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the resolution without amendment. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted. And

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

The bill No. 12, entitled "A supplement to an act relative to state roads therein mentioned," passed 5th April, 1826, was read the second time.

And the section being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Boyer, to amend the same by inserting after "appointed," in the 4th line, these words, "to lay out a state road from Orwigsburg, in Schuylkill county, to Stetler's tavern, in Montgomery county."

Which was agreed to.

And the section as amended was agreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. M'Creery, to amend the bill, by adding thereto the following new section, viz.

"Section 2. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That the time allowed to the commissioners named in the 4th section of an act, entitled "An act relative to certain state roads therein mentioned," passed the 5th day of April, 1826, to perform the several duties required of them by said act, be and the same is hereby extended to the first day of June next."

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the new section?

It was determined in the affirmative.

The title was considered and agreed to. And

Ordered, That the bill be transcribed for the third reading.

Agreeably to leave given,

The House again resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Ellis in the chair, on the bill No. 78, entitled "A supplement to an act for laying out, making and keeping in repair the public roads and highways within this commonwealth, and for laying out private roads."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

Leave was granted. And,

Ordered, That the committee of the whole sit again on to-morrow.

Mr. M'Creery and Mr. Bonsall, the committee appointed, introduced the Speaker and members of the Senate, for the purpose of proceeding, in conjunction with the members of this House, to the election of a State Treasurer.

And after some time,

The Speaker and members of the Senate having withdrawn, Mr. Cunningham, teller on the part of this House, made a report (No. 115,) from which it appeared that William Clark, was unanimously elected.

Adjourned until 10 o'clock to morrow morning.

WEDNESDAY, January 10, 1827.

Mr. Hetrick presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of York county, praying for authority to raise ten thousand dollars, by way of lottery, in aid of the erection of a house of worship, for the Menonist society, in Heidelberg township.

Which was referred to Messrs. Hetrick, Aughinbaugh and Dillinger.

Mr. Rahn presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Schuylkill county, against the incorporation of coal companies.

Mr. Lawson presented two petitions, of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of Indiana county, praying for certain alterations in the law relative to granting a premium for the destruction of foxes.

Mr. Wise presented a petition of like import with the foregoing, from sundry inhabitants of Westmoreland county.

Mr. Rankin presented two petitions of like import with the foregoing, from sundry inhabitants of Indiana county.

Mr. James presented a petition of like import with the foregoing, from sundry inhabitants of Bedford county.

Mr. Farrell presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Westmoreland county, against increasing the public debt, for the purpose of making the Pennsylvania canal.

Mr. W. Forster presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Union county, praying that the state road from Caldwell's mills to Bellefonte, may be vacated.

Mr. Dillinger presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Northampton and Lehigh counties, praying that a state road may be laid out from Kutztown to Mauch Chunk.

Mr. Kennedy presented a petition of like import with the foregoing.

Mr. M'Bride presented a memorial from sundry inhabitants of Columbia county, remonstrating against the construction of the Pennsylvania canal, and praying for the repeal of the act relative to collateral inheritances.

Mr. Lawson presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Jefferson county, praying for an appropriation in aid of improving the state road from Warren to the turnpike road near the crossing of Sandylick creek.

And the said petitions, memorial and remonstrance, were

Laid on the table.

Mr. Woolverton presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of the borough of Erie, and the township of Mill creek, in Erie county, praying for certain alterations in the law relative to the support of the poor, in the said borough and township.

Which was referred to Messrs. Woolverton, Duncan and Martin.

Mr. Petrikin presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Clearfield and Cambria counties, praying for an appropriation in aid of improving the navigation of Clearfield creek.

Which was referred to Messrs. Petrikin, Thomas and Matheys of Montgomery.

Mr. M'Reynolds presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Columbia county, praying that a state road may be laid out from Pennsborough to Berwick.

Which was referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

Mr. McClure presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Lycoming county, praying for the passage of a law to repeal so much of the 5th section of an act of Assembly, passed 11th of

April 1825, entitled "An act declaring parts of Middle creek, Little Brokenstraw creek, east branch of Sinnamahoning and Shaver's creek, public highways, and to prevent the erection of fish dams and baskets, in the rivers Susquehanna, Juniata and their branches," as relates to Lycoming county.

Which was referred to Messrs. M'Clure, M'Reynolds and J. Miller.

Mr. Overholzer presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Lancaster county, praying for the repeal of the act relative to collateral inheritances.

Mr. Buyers presented a petition of like import with the foregoing.

And the said petitions were referred to the committee of ways and means.

Mr. Lawson presented the petition of Jacob M'Fadden, of Armstrong county, accompanied with documents, praying additional compensation for the erection of a bridge across Mahoning creek.

Which were referred to Messrs. Lawson, Pennypacker and Bonner.

Mr. Woolverton presented the petition of Peter S. V. Hamot, of Erie county, praying that the pre-emption right to twenty-five acres of land, in the third section of the town of Erie, may be granted to him, for the purpose of erecting mills thereon.

Which was referred to the members from Erie, Crawford, Mercer and Beaver counties.

Mr. Matheys of Montgomery, presented the petition of John Towers, of Montgomery county, praying for authority to erect a bridge across the river Schuylkill, at Manayunk.

Which was referred to the members from Montgomery and Philadelphia counties.

Mr. M'Reynolds presented two remonstrances, of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of Columbia county, against an inquiry into the official conduct of judge Chapman.

Which were referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

Mr. Dorrance presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Dauphin county, praying for certain alterations in the law relative to the erection of fish dams in the river Susquehanna.

Which was referred to the committee appointed on the subject. A motion was made by Mr. Irwin, and read as follows, viz.

Whereas, it is essential to the safety and duration of a republican government, that its chief magistrate should be elected by the people in such a manner as to prevent any intervening body of electors, or any portion of the legislative power, from frustrating their choice, by placing in the executive chair one who has not a majority of voices to recommend him, and *whereas*, by departing from this salutary principle, the people of Pennsylvania, as well as a majority of the people of the Union, in the late election of president of the United States, after giving their suffrages through the electoral colleges to General Andrew Jackson, for that high and distinguished situation, have had the mortification to

see imposed upon them a president who, through the same agency, had a less number of votes, thereby violating the sound political maxims upon which our government is based.

Therefore, to prevent the recurrence of an evil which threatens the stability of the republic,

Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, That our Senators in Congress be instructed, and our members of the House of Representatives requested, to use their endeavours to have the constitution of the United States so amended, as to enable the people to vote directly for president and vice president, and also to prevent the election in any event from being referred to congress.

Resolved by the authority aforesaid, That the Governor be requested to transmit copies of the foregoing preamble and resolution to each senator and member of the house of representatives from this state, in the congress of the United States, and also to transmit like copies to the executives of the several states, with a request that they lay the same before the legislatures thereof, soliciting their co operation in procuring the adoption of the foregoing amendments.

Laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Wise,

Ordered, That the committee appointed to inquire into the official conduct of judge Chapman, have leave to sit during the sessions of the House.

On motion of Mr. Kennedy,

Ordered, That an item of unfinished business, relative to granting relief to Anthony Dutot, be referred to Messrs. Kennedy, Atkinson and Wilson.

Mr. Brown of Lancaster, obtained leave to withdraw the petition and documents of James Clendinen.

Mr. J. R. C. Smith, from the committee on domestic manufactures, reported a bill,

No. 195, entitled "An act for the encouragement of domestic manufactures, by exempting certain manufacturing establishments partially from taxation," which bill was read, and made the order of the day for Monday the 29th inst.

Mr. Rahn, from the committee of accounts, made a report, (No. 116,) relative to the accounts of witnesses in the case of the inquiry into the conduct of judge Franks, accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That the Speaker draw his warrants on the State Treasurer, in favor of the above named persons for the amount set opposite to their respective names.

Laid on the table.

Mr. Lehman, from the committee on inland navigation and internal improvement, reported a bill, No. 196, entitled "A supplement to an act, entitled An act to protect the public in the full benefit and enjoyment of the works constructed for the purposes of inland navigation."

Which bill was read, and made the order of the day for Wednesday the 17th inst.

Mr. Meredith, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 15th ult. a memorial on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill, No. 197, entitled "An act to endow the house of refuge, and for other purposes therein mentioned."

Mr. Burden, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 8th ult. that item of unfinished business, on leave given, reported a bill, No. 198, entitled "A supplement to an act, entitled An act to alter and amend the fee bill."

Mr. M'Clure, from the committee to whom were referred sundry petitions on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 199, entitled "An act to lay out a state road from New Columbus, in the county of Luzerne, to Jersey Shore, in the county of Lycoming."

Mr. Martin, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 8th inst. a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 200, entitled "An act to enable the Governor to incorporate a company for making an artificial turnpike road from the Delaware state line, on the road leading from Wilmington, Delaware, through Chester and Darby, in Delaware county, to the city of Philadelphia, so as to intersect the Philadelphia, Brandywine and New London turnpike road."

Mr. M'Reynolds, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 8th inst. that item of unfinished business, reported a bill,

No. 201, entitled "An act declaring the streets, lanes and alleys in the town of Washington, in Columbia county, public highways."

Mr. M'Reynolds, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 8th inst. that item of unfinished business, reported a bill,

No. 202, entitled "An act declaring Chilisquaue creek a public highway."

Mr. Ellis, from the committee to whom were referred sundry petitions on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 203, entitled "An act to lay out a state road from the borough of Muncy, in Lycoming county, to Berwick, in Columbia county."

Which bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

The bill No. 12, entitled "A supplement to an act relative to state roads therein mentioned," was read the third time and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. M'Creery,

The resolution attached to the report of the committee on claims, relative to the claim of Henry Little, read on the 22d ult. was read the second time, considered and adopted.

On motion of Mr. Brown of Allegheny,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Haines in the chair, on the resolution No. 188, relative to the further distribution of Purdon's digest.

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the resolution without amendment. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted. And

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

A motion was made by Mr. Shannon and Mr. Hottenstein, they being in the majority, to reconsider the vote given on yesterday, on the adoption of the resolution relative to postages.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to reconsider the said vote?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. J. R. C. Smith and Mr. Wise, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Alter	Mr. Hetrick	Mr. Matts
Becker	Hottenstein	Nicholson
Bell Leb.	Ihrig	Petrikia
Binder	Irwin	Rahn
Brown, Lan.	James	Ramsey
Cooper	Kennedy	Rankin
Cope	Kerr	Shannon
Denny	Krepps	J. Stevens
Dillinger	Lauman	Whitlatch
Dorrance	M'Bride	Wilson
Dunlap	M'Clure	Wise
Ellis	M'Sherry	Wolfersberger
Evans	Matheys, Mont.	Wolford
Farrell		

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NAYS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. Fackenthall	Mr. J. Miller
Atkinson	W. Forster	Overholzer
Aughinbaugh	W. B. Foster	Patterson
Barber	Gebhart	Pearson
Beatty	Good	Pennypacker
Bertolet	Haines	Ringland
Bonner	Hergesheimer	Scudder
Bonsall	Lawson	J. R. C. Smith
Boyd	Lehman	Snyder
Boyer	M'Creery	P. Stephens
Brown, Allegh.	M'Reynolds	Thomas
Burden	Madden	Thompson
Buyers	Martin	Tutwiler
Cummin	Mathews, Cam.	Walker
Cunningham	Mathewson	Woolverton
Duncan	Meredith	Ritner, Sp'r.

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So the question was determined in the negative.

Agreeably to leave given,

The House again resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. J. R. C. Smith in the chair, on the bill No 72, entitled "An act explanatory of and to amend an act, entitled An act to amend and consolidate with its supplements, the act, entitled An act for the recovery of debts and demands not exceeding one hundred dollars, before a justice of the peace, and for the election of constables, and for other purposes."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

When a motion was made by Mr. Irwin, that the committee of the whole be discharged from the further consideration of the said bill, and that the same be committed to the committee on the judiciary system.

The motion being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Shannon, to amend the same, by striking therefrom "the committee on the judiciary system," and inserting in lieu thereof, "a select committee."

Which was agreed to.

And the motion as amended was agreed to. And

Ordered, That Messrs. Shannon, J. Miller, Irwin, Haines, Ellis, Evans and Madden, be of the committee.

Adjourned until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.



THURSDAY, January 11, 1827.

Mr. Blair, elected a Representative from Huntingdon county, appearing in the House, took and subscribed the requisite oaths.

Mr. Boyer presented a memorial from sundry inhabitants of Berks county, remonstrating against the construction of the Pennsylvania canal, and praying for the repeal of the act relative to collateral inheritances.

Mr. Bonsall presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Delaware and Philadelphia counties, praying that a company may be incorporated for the purpose of making a turnpike road from the Delaware state line, through Chester and Darby, to the Philadelphia, Brandywine and New London turnpike road.

Mr. Martin presented a petition of like import with the foregoing.

Mr. Duncan presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of the city and county of Philadelphia, praying for the repeal of the laws regulating weights and measures, beams and scales.

Mr. Snyder presented a petition of like import with the foregoing.

Mr. M'Clure presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Lycoming county, against changing the place of holding the supreme court from Sunbury to Harrisburg.

Mr. Scudder presented a remonstrance of like import with the foregoing, from sundry inhabitants of Columbia county

And the said petitions, memorial and remonstrances were

Laid on the table.

Mr. Mallery presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Athens township, Bradford county, praying that the trustees of the said township may be authorised to execute deeds in certain cases.

Which was referred to Messrs. Mallery, Good and Barber.

Mr. Kennedy presented the petition of Anthony Dutot, of Northampton county, accompanied with a document, praying compensation for damages sustained by him in consequence of the opening of a certain state road therein mentioned.

Which were referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

Mr. Mallery presented the petition of Shepherd Patrick and others, inhabitants of Bradford county, praying for authority to pay their proportions of money due to the Commonwealth on certain lands therein mentioned.

Which was referred to Messrs. Mallery, Lawson and Meredith.

Mr. Dorrance presented five remonstrances, of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of the 12th judicial district against the removal of judge Franks from office.

Which were

Laid on the table.

Mr. Mallery presented the petition of Jane Miller, of Luzerne county, praying that the pension granted to her late husband, William Miller, for his services in the revolutionary war, may be continued to her.

Which was referred to the committee on claims.

Mr. Mallery presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Northumberland county, praying for an appropriation in aid of improving the road from Sunbury to Rodgers' ferry.

Mr. Scudder presented a petition of like import with the foregoing.

Mr. Ellis presented a petition of like import with the foregoing.

Which were referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

Mr. Wilson presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Huntingdon county, praying for a review of the state road from Concord to Drakes ferry.

Which was referred to the members from Huntingdon and Franklin counties.

On motion of Mr. Snyder,

Ordered, That the message of the Governor and the report of the commissioners relative to the Northern Bank of Pennsylvania, read on the 8th inst. be referred to the committee on banks.

A motion was made by Mr. W. Foster, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That, until otherwise ordered, this House will meet on the afternoons of Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 3 o'clock.

Laid on the table.

Mr. M'Bride obtained leave to withdraw the petition and documents of James Pratt.

Mr. M'Creery, from the committee on claims, made a report, (No 117,) relative to the claim of Susanna Ney, accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That the committee be discharged from the further consideration of the subject, and that the petitioner have leave to withdraw her petition and documents.

And on motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

Mr. Thomas, from the committee on the militia system, reported a bill,

No 204, entitled "An act for the relief of a volunteer company in Centre county, called the Philipsburg fencibles."

Mr. Lehman, from the committee on inland navigation and internal improvement, reported a bill, No 205, entitled "An act to enable the Governor to incorporate a company to make a turnpike road from the northern termination of the York and Conewago turnpike road, to the west end of the Harrisburg bridge."

Mr. Thomas, from the committee on the militia system, reported a bill,

No. 206, entitled "An act for the relief of the legal representatives of Peter Hertzog, deceased."

Mr. Petrikin, from the committee to whom was, on yesterday referred, a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 207, entitled "An act appropriating a sum of money to improve Clearfield creek, in Cambria and Clearfield counties."

Mr. Snyder, from the committee to whom was, on the 4th inst. recommitted the bill, No. 7, entitled "A further supplement to an act, entitled An act to incorporate the Kensington district of the Northern Liberties," reported the said bill with amendments.

Mr. J. Stevens, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 9th ultimo, that item of unfinished business, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 208, entitled "An act to raise, by way of lottery, a sum of money for paying the debt due by the Limerick church, in Montgomery county."

Which bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

Mr. Cummin, from the committee to whom were referred, on the 8th inst. sundry petitions relative to a state road from Schneck's

mill to the Dug Hill, made a report, (No. 118,) accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That the committee be discharged from any further consideration of the subject, and that the petitioners have leave to withdraw their petitions. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

On motion of Mr. Rahn, the resolution attached to the report of the committee of accounts, read on yesterday, was read the second time.

When a motion was made by Mr. Ellis, to amend the report by striking therefrom,

George W. Harris, 11 days attendance, at \$1 50 16 50

George Fisher, 12 days attendance, at \$1 50 18 00

Which was agreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Lauman, further to amend the report by striking therefrom the charges for copying records.

Which was agreed to.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the resolution?

It was determined in the affirmative.

Agreeably to leave given,

The House again resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Ellis in the chair, on the bill No. 78, entitled "A supplement to an act for laying out, making and keeping in repair, the public roads and highways within this commonwealth, and for laying out private roads."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

When a motion was made by Mr. McCreery, that the committee of the whole be discharged from the further consideration of the said bill, and that the same be committed to the committee who reported it.

Which was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Meredith,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Thomas in the chair, on the bill No. 20, entitled "An act authorising the sale of the real estate of Andrew Hamilton, deceased."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill without amendment. And

On motion,

The said bill was read the second time, and being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Boyd, to postpone the further consideration of the same, until Monday next.

Which was agreed to.

Agreeably to the order of the day,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Burden in the chair, on the bill No. 95, entitled "A supplement

to the several acts of Assembly, directing the mode of selling unseated lands for taxes."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

Leave was granted. And,

Ordered, That the committee of the whole sit again on Monday, the 22d inst.

Adjourned until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

FRIDAY, January 12, 1827.

The Speaker laid before the House a statement (No. 119,) of the affairs of the Ridge turnpike company.

Laid on the table.

Mr. Woolverton presented two petitions, of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of Erie county, praying that the board of canal commissioners may be directed to explore the route for a canal from Waterford to the bay of Presque Isle.

Which were referred to the committee on inland navigation and internal improvement.

Mr. Ihrie presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Northampton county, praying for an appropriation in aid of improving the road across Flint Hill.

Mr. Kennedy presented a petition of like import with the foregoing.

And the said petitions were referred to Messrs. Ihrie, Atkinson and J. Miller.

Mr. Bertolet presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Berks county, praying for a review of the state road from Orwigsburg to Stetler's tavern.

Which was referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

Mr. Denny presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Allegheny, Armstrong, Beaver and Butler counties, praying that a state road may be laid out from Freeport through Charlestown to Beaver.

Which was referred to the members from the said counties.

Mr. Meredith presented the petition of Thomas Cadwalader, jr. of Trenton, New Jersey, praying compensation for two certain tracts of donation land therein mentioned.

Mr. M'Reynolds presented the petition of James Pratt, of Columbia county, accompanied with documents, praying compensation for a tract of donation land for his services in the revolutionary war.

And the said petitions and documents were referred to the committee on claims.

Mr. Cooper presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of York county, praying that a company may be incorporated for the purpose of making a turnpike road from York Haven to the west end of the Harrisburg bridge.

Mr. Walker presented a remonstrance from sundry stockholders of the Farmers' and Mechanics' Bank of Greencastle, in Franklin county, against the passage of a law relative to the settlement of the affairs of the said bank.

Mr. Lauman presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Dauphin county, against the removal of judge Franks from office.

And the said petition and remonstrances were
Laid on the table.

Mr. Dorrance presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Dauphin county, praying for an appropriation in aid of improving the road from Sunbury to Rodgers' ferry.

Mr. M'Reynolds presented a petition of like import with the foregoing, from sundry inhabitants of Northumberland county.

Which were referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

Mr. Beatty presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Butler county, praying for a review of the northern section of the state road from Pittsburg to Franklin.

Which was referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

Mr. Dillinger presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Lowhill township, Lehigh county, praying that the said township may be erected into a separate election district, and the elections thereof held at the house occupied by Peter Buckman.

Which was referred to the committee on election districts.

A motion was made by Mr. Meredith, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to inquire into the expediency of repealing so much of the existing laws respecting the poor of the city of Philadelphia, the district of Southwark and the township of the Northern Liberties, as erects the said city, district and township, into one district for the support and maintenance of the poor within the same, under the jurisdiction of the corporation of the guardians of the poor of the said city, district and township, and as authorises the laying a poor tax in the said city, district and township jointly, and of providing that hereafter the city of Philadelphia, the township of the Northern Liberties, and the several districts of Southwark, Kensington and Penn township, shall each form a separate and independent district for the maintenance, relief and support of its own poor. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time considered and adopted. And

Ordered, That the members from the city and county of Philadelphia, be a committee for the purpose therein expressed.

A motion was made by Mr. Wise, and read as follows viz.

Resolved, That James Cameron, as a special officer, be authorised and empowered to serve and execute such process as the committee appointed to inquire into the official conduct of Seth Chapman, president judge of the 8th judicial district, may issue. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

A motion was made by Mr. Boyd, and read as follows, viz.

Whereas, it is represented that the practice of letting lands, lots of ground and tenements, in perpetual and irredeemable ground rents, is a system that if persevered in, will prove most injurious to the interests of the people of this commonwealth, creating, on the one hand, a powerful and wealthy body of landlords, and on the other part, a dependent and impoverished tenantry, inconsistent with the principles of our republican institutions.

Therefore,

Resolved, That the committee on the judiciary system be instructed to take into consideration the subject of perpetual ground rents, and the propriety of abolishing hereafter the system of irredeemable ground rents, and of authorising tenants to extinguish ground rents, by paying the landlords a proper and just equivalent for the same. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time.

And being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. J. Miller, to amend the same by striking therefrom "committee on the judiciary system," and inserting in lieu thereof, "select committee."

Which was disagreed to.

And the resolution was adopted.

A motion was made by Mr. Denny, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to inquire into the expediency of co-operating with the Congress of the United States, in the adoption of proper measures for the preservation and repair of such part of the national road as passes through the state of Pennsylvania. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time.

And being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. M'Sherry, to postpone the further consideration of the same until to-morrow.

Which was agreed to.

A motion was made by Mr. Bonsall, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That the committee on the militia system be instructed to inquire into the expediency of altering the militia law, as

far as regards the 1st brigade, 1st division, Pennsylvania militia, so as to increase the number of trainings, and the amount of the fines on absentees.

Laid on the table.

A motion was made by Mr. Farrell, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That a committee be appointed for the purpose of considering the expediency of reporting a bill for the better protection of stages and all other carriages passing and repassing on the several turnpike roads within this commonwealth, and to prevent nuisances thereon, and also to point out a more efficient mode for the repairs of said roads. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted. And

Ordered, That Messrs. Farrell, Tutwiler, Blair, Bonner and Matheys of Montgomery, be a committee for the purpose therein expressed.

A motion was made by Mr. Brown of Allegheny, that when this House adjourns, it will adjourn to meet at half past 9 o'clock to-morrow morning, and that that be the standing hour of meeting until otherwise ordered.

The motion being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Burden, to postpone the further consideration of the same for the present.

Which was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Blair,

Ordered, That an item of unfinished business, relative to granting relief to the representatives of James Scott, deceased, be referred to Messrs. Blair, Thomas and Ringland.

On motion of Mr. Brown of Lancaster,

Ordered, That an item of unfinished business, relative to the fisheries in the river Susquehanna, be referred to Messrs. Brown of Lancaster, Thomas, J. Miller, Hetrick and M'Reynolds.

On motion of Mr. Dorrance,

Ordered, That an item of unfinished business, relative to the erection of a new county out of parts of Dauphin, Schuylkill and Northumberland counties, be referred to Messrs. Dorrance, Hottenstein and Kerr.

Mr. M'Sherry obtained leave to withdraw the petition of the trustees of the Gettysburg academy.

Mr. Rahn, from the committee of accounts, made a report, (No. 120,) relative to the accounts of witnesses in the case of judge Chapman, accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That the Speaker draw his warrant on the State Treasurer, for the above sums, in favor of the before named persons respectively. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

Mr. M'Creery, from the committee on claims, reported a bill, No. 209, entitled "An act for the relief of Jacob Waters, a revolutionary soldier."

Mr. Kennedy, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 10th inst. that item of unfinished business, reported a bill,

No. 210, entitled "An act for the relief of Anthony Dutot."

Mr. Bertolet, from the committee to whom were referred sundry petitions on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 211, entitled "An act authorising a review of the state road from the borough of Orwigsburg, in Schuylkill county, to Stetler's tavern, in Montgomery county."

Mr. Irwin, from the committee to whom was, on yesterday, recommitted the bill No. 78, entitled "A supplement to an act for laying out, making and keeping in repair the public roads and highways within this commonwealth, and for laying out private roads," reported the said bill with amendments.

Which bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, presented for concurrence the bill No. 212, entitled "An act to authorise the printing and distribution of an additional number of the pamphlet laws."

Which bill was read, and

Laid on the table.

He returned the bills entitled as follow, viz.

No. 8, "An act appropriating to internal improvement certain depreciated paper in the treasury of this commonwealth."

No. 90, "An act concerning the proof and acknowledgment of deeds made abroad."

And gave information,

That the Senate have passed said bills without amendment.

A motion was made by Mr. W. Forster, that the House proceed to the second reading of the resolution read on yesterday, relative to afternoon sessions.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

It was determined in the negative.

A motion was made by Mr. Cunningham and Mr. Thomas, they being in the majority, to re-consider the vote given on the 6th inst. on the adoption of the resolution attached to the report (No. 112,) of the committee appointed to inquire into the official conduct of judge Chapman.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to re-consider the said vote?

A motion was made by Mr. Cunningham, to postpone the question, together with the motion, for the present.

Which was agreed to.

Agreeably to the order of the day,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. M'Clure in the chair, on the bill

No. 88, entitled "An act to declare the uses of certain bonds."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. M'Creery,

The rule for going into a committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with, the bill No. 59, entitled "An act for the relief of Mary Nagle and Catharine Miller, widows of revolutionary soldiers," was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered, To be transcribed for the third reading.

On motion of Mr. M'Creery,

The rule which prohibits the reading of bills twice on the same day, being in this case dispensed with, the said bill was read the third time and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to the order of the day,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Gebhart in the chair, on the bill

No. 133, entitled "An act concerning the backing or endorsing warrants by justices of the peace."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with one amendment.

Agreeably to the order of the day,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Farrell in the chair, on the bill No. 105, entitled "An act authorising the commissioners of the several counties in this commonwealth, with the approbation of the courts of quarter sessions, to create and regulate election districts."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the first section of the bill negatived.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the report of the committee of the whole?

A motion was made by Mr. Fackenthall, to postpone the question, together with the bill, indefinitely.

Which was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Burden,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Tutwiler in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 212, entitled "An act to authorise the printing and distribution of an additional number of the pamphlet laws."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

When a motion was made by Mr. Lawson, that the committee

of the whole be discharged from the further consideration of the said bill, and that the same be committed to a select committee.

Which was agreed to. And

Ordered, That Messrs. Lawson, Snyder, Irwin, M'Reynolds and Becker be of the committee.

Adjourned until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.



SATURDAY, January 13, 1827.

The Speaker laid before the House a letter, (No. 121,) from the presidents of the select and common councils of the city of Philadelphia, accompanied with resolutions (No. 122,) of the said councils, relative to the removal of the seat of Government.

Which were read.

When a motion was made by Mr. Lawson, that the same be referred to a select committee, with leave to report by bill or otherwise.

Which was agreed to. And,

Ordered, That Messrs. Lawson, Ihrie, Tutwiler, Woolverton, Cunningham, P. Stephens, Bertolet, Barber and Bonsall, be of the committee.

Mr. P. Stephens presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Susquehanna county, praying that a company may be incorporated in the said county, for manufacturing purposes.

Which was referred to Messrs. P. Stephens, M'Reynolds and Evans.

Mr. J. Miller presented the petition of John D. Creigh, of Perry county, praying that the title to certain lots in the town of Bloomfield, purchased by him from the county commissioners, may be confirmed.

Which was referred to the committee on the judiciary system.

Mr. Madden presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Union county, against an inquiry into the official conduct of judge Chapman.

Mr. M'Bride presented two remonstrances, of like import with the foregoing, from sundry inhabitants of Columbia county.

Mr. M'Clure presented four remonstrances, of like import with the foregoing, from sundry inhabitants of Lycoming county.

And the said remonstrances were referred, to the committee appointed on the subject.

Mr. Bell of Lebanon, presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Lebanon county, against the removal of judge Franks from office.

Mr. Dorrance presented three remonstrances, of like import with the foregoing, from sundry inhabitants of Dauphin county.

Mr. Pearson presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of the city and county of Philadelphia, praying that a company may be incorporated for the purpose of connecting the rivers Schuylkill and Delaware, by a canal, in the county of Philadelphia.

Mr. Hergesheimer presented a petition of like import with the foregoing.

Mr. Knight presented a petition of like import with the foregoing.

Mr. M'Reynolds presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Columbia county, praying that a state road may be laid out from Berwick to Pennsborough.

Mr. M'Bride presented two remonstrances against the laying out of a state road from Berwick to Pennsborough.

Mr. Brown of Lancaster, presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of the city of Lancaster, praying for authority to raise sixty thousand dollars, by way of lottery, in aid of introducing water into the said city.

And the said petitions and remonstrances, were

Laid on the table.

Mr. Dorrance presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Dauphin county, praying for certain alterations in the law relative to the erection of fish dams in the river Susquehanna.

Which was referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

Mr. Dorrance presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Dauphin county, praying for an appropriation in aid of improving the road from Sunbury to Rodgers' ferry.

Which was referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

Mr. Knight presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Philadelphia county, praying for the passage of a law to prevent cattle and hogs from running at large in the said county.

Which was referred to the members from the said county.

Mr. Tutwiler presented the petition of Jacob Fahner, of Bedford county, accompanied with a document, stating his services in the revolutionary war, and praying relief.

Which were referred to the committee on claims.

Mr. M'Clure presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Lycoming county, praying for an appropriation in aid of improving the road from Muncy township, by Lewis' glass works, to the Berwick and Newtown turnpike road.

Which was referred to Messrs. M'Clure, Bertolet and J. Stevens.

Mr. M'Knight presented two petitions, of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of Oxford and lower Dublin townships, Philadelphia county, praying for certain alterations in the law relative to the granting of tavern licenses in the said townships.

Which were referred to Messrs. Knight, Brown of Allegheny, and Kerr.

A motion was made by Mr Irwin, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That the committee on the judiciary system be instructed to inquire whether any legislative provision is necessary to explain the act of the 28th March, 1814, relative to the travelling expenses of the president and associate judges of the courts of common pleas. And,

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

On motion of Mr. J. Miller,

Ordered. That an item of unfinished business, relative to removing obstructions from Shearman's creek be referred to Messrs. J. Miller, Dunlap and Patterson.

Mr. Gebhart and Mr. James obtained leave of absence for a few days.

Mr Brown of Lancaster obtained leave of absence for a few days, from Monday next.

Mr. Rahn, from the committee of accounts, made a report, (No. 123,) relative to the accounts of witnesses in the case of Judge Franks, accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That the Speaker draw his warrants on the State Treasurer, for the above sums, in favor of the before named persons respectively. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

Mr. Rahn, from the committee of accounts, made a report, (No. 124,) relative to the accounts of witnesses on the part of Judge Franks, accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That the Speaker draw his warrants on the State Treasurer, for the above sums, in favor of the before named persons respectively. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

Mr. M'Creery, from the committee on claims, made a report, (No. 125,) relative to the claim of William Haslet, accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That the committee be discharged from any further consideration of the subject. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

Mr. M'Creery, from the committee on claims, made a report, (No. 126,) relative to the claim of Elizabeth Dorothy Rishell, accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That the committee be discharged from any further consideration of the subject. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

Mr. McCreery, from the committee on claims, made a report, (No. 127,) relative to the claim of William Amberson, accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That the committee be discharged from any further consideration of the subject, and that the petitioner have leave to withdraw his petition and documents.

Which was read, and

Laid on the table.

Mr. Lawson, from the committee to whom was, on yesterday, committed the bill from the Senate, No. 212, entitled "An act to authorize the printing and distribution of an additional number of the pamphlet laws", reported the said bill with amendments.

Mr. Ihrie, from the committee to whom were, on yesterday, referred sundry petitions on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill, (No. 213,) entitled "An act to improve a certain public road crossing Flint Hill, in Northampton county."

Mr. Beatty, from the committee to whom were referred sundry petitions, on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 214, entitled "An act authorizing a review of the Franklin road from John Brown's, in Butler county, to the town of Franklin, in Venango county."

Mr. Burden, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 9th instant, a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 215, entitled "An act to incorporate the female hospitable society."

Mr. Hetrick, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 10th instant, a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 216, entitled "An act to raise, by way of lottery, a sum of money not exceeding two thousand dollars, to purchase a lot of ground, and for erecting a house of public worship for the Menonist society, near Hanover, in the county of York."

Which bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, presented for concurrence the bill,

No. 217, entitled "An act to empower John Miles and Joseph Miles, surviving executors of Samuel Miles, late of Montgomery county, deceased, to sell and convey certain real estate therein mentioned."

Which bill was read, and

Laid on the table.

He returned the bill No. 66, entitled A supplement to an act, entitled "An act to provide for the education of children, at the public expense, within the city and county of Philadelphia, passed the third day of March 1818."

And gave information,

That the Senate have passed said bill with amendments, in which the concurrence of the House of Representatives is requested.

The amendments by the Senate to the said bill were read, and Laid on the table.

The bill, No. 88, entitled "An act to declare the uses of certain bonds," was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered, To be transcribed for the third reading,

The bill, No. 133, entitled "An act concerning the backing or endorsing warrants by justices of the peace," was read the second time, and being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Ellis, to postpone the further consideration of the same, until Saturday the 20th inst.

Which was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Binder,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Krepps in the chair, on the bill,

No. 143, entitled "A supplement to an act, entitled 'An act for establishing a health office, and to secure the city and port of Philadelphia, from the introduction of pestilential and contagious diseases, and for other purposes.'"

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. M'Sherry,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Nicholson in the chair, on the bill from the Senate,

No. 128, entitled "An act to provide for the copying or transcribing of certain dockets or books of record, of the court of common pleas, of Adams county."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with amendments.

Agreeably to the order of the day,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Bonner in the chair, on the bill,

No. 140, entitled A supplement to an act, entitled "An act to regulate arbitrations and proceedings in courts of justice."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported progress, and asked leave to sit again,

Leave was granted, and

Ordered, That the committee of the whole sit again on Monday the 22d inst.

Agreeably to the order of the day,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. P. Stephens in the chair, on the bill,

No. 158, entitled "A further supplement to the act, entitled An act to regulate the general elections within this commonwealth."

And after some time,
The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with amendments.

On motion of Mr. Ellis,
The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Cooper in the chair, on the bill,

No. 163, entitled "An act to repeal, in part, an act, entitled An act to improve the leading roads in M'Kean and Jefferson counties."

And after some time,
The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

When a motion was made by Mr. Ellis, that the committee of the whole be discharged from the further consideration of the said bill.

Which was disagreed to. And

Ordered, That the committee of the whole sit again on Monday, the 15th instant.

Adjourned until 10 o'clock on Monday morning next.

MONDAY, January 15, 1827.

The Speaker laid before the House a statement, No 128, of the affairs of the Pennsylvania Hospital, accompanied with an abstract, (No 129,) of the cases of patients in the said Hospital.

Laid on the table.

Mr. Irwin presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Fayette county, praying for appropriation in aid of improving the state road from Union town to Pittsburg.

Mr. Nicholson presented a petition of like import with the foregoing.

And the said petitions were referred to the members from Fayette and Allegheny counties.

Mr. Irwin presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Fayette county, praying that the courts of quarter sessions may be authorised to regulate ferries in the said county.

Mr. Krepps presented a petition of like import with the foregoing.

Mr. Nicholson presented a petition of like import with the foregoing.

And the said petitions were referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

Mr. Petrikin presented the petition of Job Summers, of Northumberland county, accompanied with documents, praying that the escheated estate of his late father, Job Summers, may be vested in him.

Which were referred to Messrs. Petrikin, Madden and Thomas.

Mr. Ringland presented three petitions, of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of Washington and Greene counties, praying that that part of the state road from Waynesburg, through Washington to Beaver, which is located between Waynesburg and Washington, may be confirmed.

Mr. Tutwiler presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Bedford county, praying that the turnpike roads within this commonwealth may be converted into free roads.

Mr. Overholzer presented two petitions, of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of the city of Lancaster praying for authority to raise sixty thousand dollars, by way of lottery, in aid of introducing water into the said city.

Mr. Buyers presented a petition of like import with the foregoing.

Mr. Barber presented three petitions of like import with the foregoing.

Mr. Cunningham presented a document relative to the claim of William Amberson.

Mr. Wise presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Westmoreland county, against the repeal of the law authorising the laying out of a state road from Port Johnston to Murraysville.

Mr. Cummin presented four petitions, of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of Mifflin county, praying for a division of the said county.

Mr. Scudder presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Northumberland county, against changing the place of holding the supreme court from Sunbury to Harrisburg.

Mr. Wise presented a document relative to a confirmation of the official acts of justice Keenan.

And the said petitions, documents and remonstrances were

Laid on the table.

Mr. M'Clure presented six remonstrances, of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of Lycoming county, against an inquiry into the official conduct of judge Chapman.

Which were referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

Mr. Alter presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Cumberland and Perry counties, praying that the courts of common pleas may be authorised to direct the application of the proceeds of Sheriff's sales.

Mr. Lawson presented the petition of John Leasure, of Indiana county, accompanied with documents, praying for authority to institute a suit against the supervisors of Mahoning township, in the said county, for a certain claim therein mentioned.

And the said petitions and documents were referred to the committee on the judiciary system.

Mr. Cunningham presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Mercer county, praying that a company may be incorporated for the purpose of making a turnpike road from Mercer to the Ohio state line, in a direction to the centre of Vernon.

Which was referred to Messrs. Cunningham, Shannon and Martin.

Mr. P. Stephens presented a petition from Amos Tiffany and others, inhabitants of Susquehanna county, accompanied with documents, praying that the Secretary of the Land office may be authorised to issue warrants to them for certain lands in the said county, late the estate of Andrew Allen.

Which were referred to Messrs. P. Stephens, Madden, Hottenstein, Woolverton and Ihrie.

Mr. J. Miller presented a petition from the directors of the poor of Perry county, praying for authority to sell and convey certain real estate.

Which was referred to Messrs. J. Miller, Atkinson and Thompson.

Mr. Alter presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Cumberland county, praying that the times for holding the courts in the said county may be changed.

Which was referred to the members from Cumberland, Adams and Perry counties.

Mr. Fackenthall presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Bucks county, praying for the repeal of the act relative to collateral inheritances.

Which was referred to the committee of ways and means.

Mr. Rankin presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Greene township, Indiana county, praying that the place of holding their general elections may be changed to the House of Alexander T. Moorhead.

Mr. Wise presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Washington township, Westmoreland county, praying that the place of holding their general elections may be changed to the house of Adam Bowman.

And the said petitions were referred to the committee on election districts.

Mr. M'Creery presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Washington and Allegheny counties, praying that a state road may be laid out from Ramsey's ford, in Allegheny county, to the Virginia state line, in a direction to Wheeling.

Which was referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

Mr. M'Creery presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Washington and Allegheny counties, praying that the Pittsburg and Steubenville turnpike road company, may be authorised to receive toll on the bridge across saw Mill run.

Which was referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

Mr. W. B. Foster presented a petition from sundry contractors, laborers and other creditors of the Washington and Pittsburg turnpike road company, stating that they are unable to obtain the payment of their debts from the said company, and praying legislative interference.

Which was referred to the members from Allegheny and Washington counties.

On motion of Mr. Farrell,

Ordered, That James Cameron, during the absence of the Sergeant at arms, be authorised to serve process for the committee appointed to inquire into the conduct of judge Franks.

A motion was made by Mr. M'Reynolds, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to bring in a bill, giving further time to the commissioners named in the act of the last session, authorising the Governor to incorporate the Susquehanna and Lehigh canal company. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered, That Messrs. M'Reynolds, P. Stevens and J. Stevens, be a committee for the purpose therein expressed.

A motion was made by Mr. Boyer, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to confer with a committee of the Senate, if the Senate should appoint such committee, on such measures as may be best calculated to reduce the contingent expenses of both Houses, and secure a strict adherence to economy in all their expenditures.

Laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Walker,

Ordered, That an item of unfinished business, relative to raising a sum of money, by way of lottery, for the purpose of improving the Chambersburg and Bedford turnpike road, be referred to Messrs. Walker, Tutwiler and Mathews of Cambria.

On motion of Mr. Atkinson,

Ordered, That an item of unfinished business, relative to the relief of Abraham Kitlinger, David Compton, Joseph Patton and William Bennet, be referred to Messrs. Atkinson, J. Miller and Bonner.

Mr. Ihrie obtained leave of absence for a few days from Wednesday next.

Mr. Dillinger, from the committee appointed to compare bills and present them to the Governor for his approbation, made report, which was read as follows, viz.

That in conjunction with a similar committee from the Senate, they have compared and on this day presented to the Governor for his approbation, the bills entitled as follow, to wit.

"An act appropriating to internal improvement, certain depreciated paper in the treasury of this commonwealth."

"An act concerning the proof and acknowledgment of deeds made abroad."

Laid on the table.

Mr. Rahn, from the committee of accounts, made a report, (No 130,) relative to the accounts of witnesses examined by the committee appointed to inquire into the conduct of judge Franks, accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That the Speaker draw his warrants on the State Treasurer, in favor of the before named persons, for the sums set opposite to their names respectively. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

Mr. Blair, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 12th inst that item of unfinished business, reported a bill,

No. 218, entitled "An act for the relief of the legal representatives of James T. Scott, deceased, late brigade inspector.

Mr. Knight, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 13th instant, a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 219, entitled "A supplement to the act altering the mode of issuing tavern licenses."

Mr. Shannon, from the committee to whom was committed, on the 10th inst. the bill

No. 72, entitled "An act explanatory of and to amend an act, entitled An act to amend and consolidate with its supplements, the act, entitled An act for the recovery of debts and demands not exceeding one hundred dollars, before a justice of the peace, and for the election of constables, and for other purposes." reported the bill with amendments.

And the said bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, returned the bills entitled as follow, viz.

No. 6, "A supplement to the act, entitled An act to incorporate a company for making a turnpike road from Butler to the Allegheny river, opposite Kittanning."

No. 56, "An act to incorporate the borough of Muncy, in Lycoming county."

And gave information,

That the Senate have passed said bills, the first without and the latter with amendments, in which the concurrence of the House of Representatives is requested.

The amendments by the Senate to the said bill were read, considered and concurred in. And

Ordered. That the Clerk inform the Senate of the same.

The bill No. 88, entitled "An act to declare the uses of certain bonds." was read the third time and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Bonsall,

The resolution relative to the militia of the 1st brigade, 1st division, read on the 12th instant, was read the second time, considered and adopted.

The House resumed the second reading of the bill No. 20, postponed on the 11th inst. entitled "An act authorising the sale of the real estate of Andrew Hamilton, deceased."

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the section?

It was determined in the affirmative.

The title was considered and agreed to. And

Ordered, That the bill be transcribed for the third reading.

The bill No. 143, entitled "A supplement to an act, entitled An act for establishing a health office, and to secure the city and port of Philadelphia from the introduction of pestilential and contagious diseases, and for other purposes," was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered to be transcribed for the third reading.

The bill from the Senate, No. 128, entitled "An act to provide for the copying or transcribing of certain dockets or books of record of the court of common pleas of Adams county," was read the second time. And

The first section being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Haines, to amend the same by inserting "and Chester," after "Adams."

Which was agreed to.

And the section as amended was agreed to.

The remaining sections and preamble were severally considered and agreed to.

The title was considered and agreed to, being amended by inserting "and Chester," after "Adams." And

Ordered, That the bill be prepared for the third reading.

The bill No. 158, entitled "A further supplement to the act, entitled An act to regulate the general elections within this commonwealth," was read the second time.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the first section?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. M'Reynolds and Mr. J. Stevens, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Agnew
Atkinson
Beatty
Becker
Bell, Leb.
Blair
Bonsall

Mr. Boyd
Boyer
Brown, Allegh.
Burden
Cooper
Cunningham
Denny

Mr. Dillinger
Dorrance
Duncan
Good
Hetrick
Irwin
Kennedy

YEAS.

Mr. Kerr
Krepps
Lawson
Lehman
M'Bride
M'Creery
Madden
Mathews, Cam.

Mr. Nicholson
Patterson
Rahn
Ramsey
Rankin
Ringland
Scudder
Shannon

Mr. F. Smith
J. R. C. Smith
Snyder
Tutwiler
Whitlatch
Wilson
Wolfersberger
Ritner, Sp'r. 45

NAYS.

Mr. Alter
Aughinbaugh
Barber
Bertolet
Binder
Bonner
Cope
Cummin
Ellis
Evans
Fackenthall
Farrell
Haines

Mr. Harrison
Hergesheimer
Hottenstein
Knight
Lauman
M'Clure
M'Ewen
M'Reynolds
M'Sherry
Martin
Matheys, Mont.
Matts

Mr. Meredith
J. Miller
R. Miller
Overholzer
Pearson
Pennypacker
Petrikin
J. Stevens
Thompson
Walker
Wise
Woolverton

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So the question was determined in the affirmative.

The second section being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Brown of Allegheny, to amend the same by inserting after "judges," in the 11th line, these words, "And where a township is divided and erected into two or more separate election districts, they shall elect three judges in each district."

Which was agreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Lawson, further to amend the section by inserting after "townships," in the 4th line, these words, "or a township, or part of a township, and a borough."

Which was agreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Lawson, that the bill be re-committed to a select committee.

The motion being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Farrel to amend the same, by striking therefrom "a select committee," and inserting in lieu thereof "the committee on election districts."

Which was disagreed to.

And the motion was agreed to. And

Ordered, That Messrs. Lawson, Ringland, Brown of Allegheny, Krepps, Blair, Boyer and Burden be of the committee.

On motion of Mr. M'Creery,

The rule for going into a committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with, the bill No. 164, entitled "An act for the

relief of William Lemmon and Andrew Shuster, revolutionary soldiers," was read the second time.

And the first section was considered and agreed to.

The second section being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Duncan, to amend the same by striking therefrom "as a gratuity," and inserting in lieu thereof, "immediately, and an annuity of forty dollars, payable half yearly during life, to commence on the first day of January one thousand eight hundred and twenty-seven."

And on the question,

Will the House agree so to amend?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Binder and Mr. Pearson, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Aughinbaugh	Mr. W. B. Foster	Mr. Rahn
Binder	Hergesheimer	Rankin
Blair	Ihrle	Scudder
Bonner	Knight	Shannon
Bonsall	Krepps	F. Smith
Boyd	Lauman	P. Stephens
Burden	Lehman	J. Stevens
Cummin	M'Ewen	Thomas
Cunningham	Madden	Tutwiler
Denny	Martin	Whitlatch
Duncan	J. Miller	Wilson
Ellis	Pearson	Wise
Farrell	Petrikina	Woolverton 39

NAYS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. Haines	Mr. Matheys, Mont.
Alter	Harrison	Matts
Atkinson	Hetrick	Meredith
Barber	Hottenstein	R. Miller
Becker	Irwin	Nicholson
Bell, Leb.	Kennedy	Overholzer
Bertolet	Kerr	Patterson
Boyer	Lawson	Pennypacker
Brown, Allegh.	M'Bride	Ramsey
Cooper	M'Clure	Ringland
Cope	M'Creery	Thompson
Dorrance	M'Reynolds	Walker
Evans	M'Sherry	Wolfersberger
Fackenthall	Mathews, Cam.	Ritner, Sp'r.
Good		43

So the question was determined in the negative.

And the section was agreed to.

The title was considered and agreed to. And

Ordered, That the bill be transcribed for the third reading.

On motion of Mr. M'Creery,

The rule which prohibits the reading of bills twice on the same day, being in this case dispensed with, the said bill was read the third time and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Meredith,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Good in the chair, on the bill No. 197, entitled "An act to endow the House of Refuge, and for other purposes therein mentioned."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

Leave was granted. And,

Ordered, That the committee of the whole sit again on to-morrow.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, returned the bill No. 59, entitled "An act for the relief of Mary Nagle and Catharine Miller, widows of revolutionary soldiers."

And gave information,

That the Senate have passed said bill without amendment.

Adjourned until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

TUESDAY, January 16, 1827.

Mr. Boyer presented the petition of Mary Witman, of Berks county, accompanied with a document, stating the services of her late husband, George Witman, in the revolutionary war, and praying relief.

Mr. Beatty presented a petition from the executors of Henry Sheakley, late of Butler county, deceased, accompanied with documents, praying compensation for a certain tract of donation land therein mentioned.

Mr. M'Creery presented the petition of James Chambers, of Allegheny county, state of Maryland, stating his services in the revolutionary war, and praying relief.

And the said petitions and documents were referred to the committee on claims.

Mr. Beatty presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Westmoreland, Armstrong and Allegheny counties, praying that

a state road may be laid out from Butler, through Freeport, to Greensburg.

Which was referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

Mr. Hetrick presented the petition of the surviving executor of the last will and testament of Philip Jacob King, late of York county, deceased, praying for authority to sell and convey certain real estate therein mentioned.

Which was referred to Messrs. Hetrick, G. Miller and Nicholson.

Mr. Alter presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Cumberland county, praying that an annual session of the Supreme court may be held at Harrisburg.

Mr. Cooper presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of York county, praying for the passage of a law more effectually to protect vine yards.

Mr. Overholzer presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of the city and county of Lancaster, praying for authority to raise sixty thousand dollars, by way of lottery, in aid of introducing water into the said city.

Mr. Agnew presented a petition of like import with the foregoing.

Mr. Ellis presented two remonstrances, of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of Union and Northumberland counties, against vacating the state road from Bellefonte to the mouth of White Deer creek.

Mr. Scudder presented two remonstrances, of like import with the foregoing.

Mr. Petrikin presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Lycoming county, praying that a state road may be laid out from Pennsborough to Berwick.

Mr. Thomas presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Luzerne county, praying for certain alterations in the law relative to the erection of fish dams in the river Susquehanna.

Mr. M'Reynolds presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Columbia county, against changing the place of holding the Supreme court from Sunbury to Harrisburg.

Mr. Lauman presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Dauphin county, against the removal of judge Frank's from office.

Mr. Wolfersberger presented a remonstrance of like import with the foregoing, from sundry inhabitants of Lebanon county.

Mr. M'Reynolds presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Columbia county, against vacating the state road from Pennsborough to Cattawissa.

And the said petitions and remonstrances, were

Laid on the table.

Mr. J. Miller presented two petitions, of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of Perry county, praying for an appropriation in aid of improving the state road from the mouth of the Juniata river, to the bridge over the Mahantango creek, in Mifflin county.

Which were referred to Messrs. J. Miller, Patterson and Wilson,

Mr. Petrikin presented six petitions, of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of the 8th judicial district, praying for the removal from office of judge Chapman.

Mr. M'Reynolds presented seven petitions, of like import with the foregoing.

Mr. Scudder presented a petition of like import with the foregoing.

Mr. M'Reynolds presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Columbia county, against an enquiry into the official conduct of judge Chapman.

Mr. M'Bride presented a remonstrance of like import with the foregoing.

And the said petitions and remonstrances were referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

Mr. Good presented three petitions, of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of Berks county, praying for an appropriation in aid of the erection of a bridge across the river Schuylkill, at Hamburg, in the said county.

Which were referred to the members from Berks, Schuylkill, Dauphin, Lehigh and Northampton counties.

Mr. Wise presented a petition from sundry stockholders in the Robbstown and Mountpleasant turnpike road company, praying that the Washington and Williamsport turnpike road company, may be required to collect the subscriptions due by stockholders, and to complete their road.

Which was referred to the members from Westmoreland and Washington counties.

On motion of Mr. Wise,

Ordered, That the depositions, interrogatories and cross examinations, taken on a complaint against justice Walton, presented on the 2d inst. be referred to Messrs. Wise, Hergesheimer, Cope, Becker and Kennedy.

A motion was made by Mr. Krepps, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to inquire into the expediency of providing by law, for reducing the wages of witnesses attending on subpoenas issued by either branch of the Legislature of this commonwealth, in the trial of their judicial officers.

Laid on the table.

A motion was made by Mr. Bonner, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to inquire into the expediency of reporting a bill, for the better preservation of the records, in the public offices of the several counties of this commonwealth. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted. And

Ordered, That Messrs. Bonner, Denny, Blair, Agnew and Evans, be a committee for the purpose therein expressed.

A motion was made by Mr. Brown of Allegheny, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That the committee on the judiciary system be and they are hereby directed to enquire into the propriety of allowing the same compensation to the associate judges of Allegheny county, for their services, as is allowed to the associate judges of the city and county of Philadelphia.

And on motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

A motion was made by Mr. J. R. C. Smith, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Commonwealth be requested to inform this House whether the provisions of the 5th section of the further supplement to the militia act passed by the last legislature, relative to the incompatibility of the offices of Adjutant General and brigade inspector, in the same person, have, at this date, been complied with.

Laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Hetrick,

Ordered, That Messrs. M'Sherry and Haines be additional members of the committee to whom was referred the petition of the inhabitants of the Springettsbury manor.

Mr. Rahn, from the committee of accounts, made a report, (No. 131,) relative to the accounts of witnesses in the case of judge Franks, accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That the Speaker draw his warrants on the State Treasurer, for the above sums, in favor of the before named persons respectively. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

Mr. F. Smith, from the committee on the judiciary system, made a report, (No. 132,) relative to statements to be furnished by prothonotaries, accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That the committee be discharged from any further consideration of the subject.

Laid on the table.

Mr. M'Creery, from the committee to whom were referred sundry petitions on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No 220, entitled "An act authorising the laying out a state road from the Washington and Pittsburg turnpike road, to the Virginia state line, in a direction to Wheeling."

Which bill was read, and

Laid on the table.

Mr. Lawson, from the committee appointed for the purpose, on the 13th inst. reported a bill,

No. 221, entitled "An act authorising the removal of the seat of government to the city of Philadelphia."

Which bill was read, and made the first order of the day for Thursday, the 25th inst.

Mr. Irwin, from the committee to whom were referred sundry petitions on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 222, entitled "An act appropriating a sum of money for opening a state road from Pittsburg to Uniontown."

Mr. Scudder, from the committee to whom were referred sundry petitions on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 223, entitled "An act to lay out and improve a road on the east side of the Susquehanna river, from the borough of Sunbury, through Georgetown, to Rodgers' ferry."

Mr. Petrikin, from the committee to whom was, on yesterday, referred a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill.

No. 224, entitled "An act vesting the escheated estate of Job Summers, deceased, in his illegitimate son, Job Summers."

Mr. Scudder, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 2d inst. a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 225, entitled "A supplement to the act entitled An act securing to mechanics and others, payment for their labor and materials in erecting any house or other building within the city and county of Philadelphia."

Which bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

The bill from the Senate, No. 128, entitled "An act to provide for the copying or transcribing of certain dockets or books of record of the court of common pleas of Adams county," was read the third time and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate, and request their concurrence in the amendments thereto by this House.

The bill No. 143, entitled "A supplement to an act, entitled An act for establishing a health office, and to secure the city and port of Philadelphia from the introduction of pestilential and contagious diseases, and for other purposes," was read the third time and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

The bill No. 20, entitled "An act authorising the sale of the real estate of Andrew Hamilton, deceased," was read the third time.

And on the question,

Shall the same pass?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Overholzer and Mr. Agnew, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Alter	Mr. Hetrick	Mr. R. Miller
Atkinson	Hottenstein	Nicholson
Aughinbaugh	Irwin	Patterson
Beatty	Kennedy	Pearson
Bell, West.	Kerr	Pennypacker
Bertolet	Knight	Petrikín
Binder	Krepps	Ralin
Blair	Lauman	Ramsey
Bonsall	Lawson	Rankin
Boyer	Lehman	Ringland
Cope	M'Bride	Scudder
Cummin	M'Clure	Shannon
Cunningham	M'Creery	F. Smith
Deany	M'Ewen	Snyder
Dillinger	M'Reynolds	J. Stevens
Dorrance	M'Sherry	Thomas
Duncan	Madden	Thompson
Dunlap	Mallery	Tutwiler
Ellis	Martin	Walker
Evans	Nathews, Cam.	Whitlatch
Fackenthall	Matheys, Mont.	Wise
W. B. Foster	Matts	Woltersberger
Good	Meredith	Wolford
Haines	G. Miller	Woolverton
Harrison	J. Miller	Ritner, <i>Sp'r.</i> 75

NAYS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. Buyers	Mr. Hergesheimer
Barber	Cooper	H. Miller
Becker	Farrell	Overholzer
Boyd		

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So the question was determined in the affirmative And
Ordered. That the Clerk present the said bill to the Senate
 for concurrence.

A motion was made by Mr. Ellis and Mr. Petrikín, they being
 in the majority, to re-consider the vote given on the 11th inst.
 on the motion to amend the report of the committee of accounts,
 by striking therefrom the charges for copying records.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to re-consider the said vote?

It was determined in the affirmative.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

A motion was made by Mr. Ellis, to postpone the question, to-
 gether with the motion, until to morrow.

Which was agreed to.

Agreeably to leave given,

The House again resolved itself into a committee of the whole,
 Mr. Cooper in the chair, on the bill No. 163, entitled "An act to

repeal in part an act entitled An act to improve the leading roads in Jefferson and M'Kean counties."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill without amendment.

Agreeably to leave given,

The House again resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Good in the chair, on the bill No. 197, entitled "An act to endow the House of Refuge, and for other purposes therein mentioned."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

Leave was granted. And

Ordered, That the committee of the whole sit again on the 1st Monday of February next.

Adjourned until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.



WEDNESDAY, January 17, 1827.

The Secretary of the Commonwealth being introduced, presented a message from the Governor, which was read as follows, viz.

To the Senate and House of Representatives of the commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

GENTLEMEN,

I have this day approved and signed the following acts of the General Assembly, and directed the Secretary of the Commonwealth to return them to the House of Representatives, in which they originated, viz.

An act appropriating to internal improvement certain depreciated paper in the treasury of this commonwealth.

An act concerning the proof and acknowledgment of deeds made abroad.

J. ANDW. SHULZE.

Harrisburg, January 16, 1827.

Laid on the table.

The Speaker laid before the House a letter, (No 133,) from the keeper of the State Arsenal at Harrisburg, accompanied with a report of the state of the said arsenal.

Laid on the table.

The Speaker laid before the House a letter, (No. 134,) from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, accompanied with a report, (No. 135,) from the commissioners appointed to improve the navigation of the river Susquehanna, and documents from 1 to 8 inclusive.

Laid on the table.

Mr. McCreery presented a petition from a committee of the Washington society for the promotion of agriculture and domestic manufactures, and other inhabitants of Washington county, praying for the extension of the act for the promotion of agriculture and domestic manufactures, so far as relates to the said county.

Which was referred to the members from the said county.

Mr. Fackenthall presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Bucks county, praying for the passage of a law more effectually to provide for the paying over of costs by the prothonotaries and clerks of courts.

Which was referred to the committee on the judiciary system.

Mr. Woolverton presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Warren county, praying that a part of Big Brokenstraw creek, in the said county, may be declared a public highway.

Which was referred to Messrs. Woolverton, Atkinson and Shannon.

Mr. Rankin presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Pine creek township, Jefferson county, praying that provision may be made by law for the settlement of the accounts of Joseph M^r Cullough, late a supervisor of the said township.

Which was referred to Messrs. Rankin, Pennypacker and Wolfersberger.

Mr. J. R. C. Smith presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of the city and county of Philadelphia, praying for the repeal of the act regulating weights and measures.

Mr. G. Miller presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Lehigh and Northampton counties, praying for an appropriation in aid of improving the navigation of Big-creek.

Mr. Hottenstein presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Berks county, against the further extension of the Pennsylvania canal.

Mr. Scudder presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Columbia county, praying for an appropriation in aid of improving the road from Sunbury to Rodgers' ferry.

And the said petitions and remonstrance were

Laid on the table.

A motion was made by Mr. Knight, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That the committee on the judiciary system be instructed to inquire what alterations, if any, it would be necessary to make in the existing laws relative to the mode of taking refunding bonds by executors and administrators, for legacies and distributive shares.

And on motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

A motion was made by Mr. Dorrance, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That the committee on the judiciary system be instructed to inquire into the expediency of reporting to this House a bill repealing "An act establishing a district court in the county of Dauphin," which is supplementary to an act providing for the erection of an additional court within the city and county of Lancaster, passed 27th March, 1820. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

A motion was made by Mr. Overholzer, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to inquire into the expediency of passing a law to authorise citizens to vote at elections, in case the assessor has neglected his duty of returning the same. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, and being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. J. Miller, to amend the same by adding thereto these words, "and also to inquire into the expediency of securing to revolutionary soldiers, who pay no tax, the right to vote at elections."

Which was agreed to.

And the resolution as amended was adopted. And

Ordered, That Messrs. Overholzer, Brown of Allegheny, Fackenthall, J. Miller, Krepps, Bonner and P. Stephens, be a committee for the purpose therein expressed.

Mr. Petrikin obtained leave of absence for a few days from tomorrow.

Mr. Mallery obtained leave to withdraw the petition and documents of Archippus Parrish.

Mr. Rahn, from the committee of accounts, made a report (No. 136,) relative to the accounts of witnesses in the cases of judges Franks and Chapman, accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That the Speaker draw his warrants on the State Treasurer, in favor of the before named persons, for the sums set opposite to their names respectively. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

Mr. P. Stephens, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 15th inst. a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 226, entitled "An act to authorise the officers of the Land Office to issue warrants and patents for certain lands in Susquehanna county, late the estate of Andrew Allen."

Mr. J. Miller, from the committee to whom was, on yesterday, referred a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill, No. 227, entitled "An act granting a sum of money to aid in opening and improving a certain state road therein mentioned."

Mr. Alter, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 15th instant, a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 228, entitled "An act altering the times of holding the courts in Cumberland county."

Mr. Wilson, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 11th instant, a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 229, entitled "An act to authorise a review of a certain state road therein mentioned."

Mr. M'Reynolds, from the committee appointed for the purpose, on the 15th inst. reported a bill,

No. 230, entitled "A supplement to the act, entitled An act authorising the Governor to incorporate the Susquehanna and Lehigh canal company."

Which bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

Mr. P. Stephens, from the committee appointed for the purpose, on the 8th inst. reported a bill,

No. 231, entitled "An act establishing the seat of government of the commonwealth of Pennsylvania at Northumberland, in the county of Northumberland."

Which bill was read, and made the order of the day for Wednesday the 24th inst.

Mr. J. Stevens, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 8th inst. a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 232, entitled "An act to authorise the laying out a state road from Pottstown, in Montgomery county, to Reuben Trexler's store, in Berks county."

Mr. Dorrance, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 12th inst. that item of unfinished business, reported a bill,

No. 233, entitled "An act erecting parts of the counties of Dauphin, Schuylkill and Northumberland, into a separate county, to be called Jackson county."

Which bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. J. R. C. Smith, the resolution relative to the Adjutant General, read on yesterday, was read the second time, considered and adopted.

On motion of Mr. Brown of Allegheny, the resolution relative to the commissioners appointed to revise the penal code, read on the 12th ultimo, was read the second time, considered and adopted.

The bill No. 163, entitled "An act to repeal in part, an act entitled An act to improve the leading roads in Jefferson and M'Kean counties," was read the second time.

And the first section being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. M'Reynolds, to postpone the further consideration of the same, together with the bill, until to-morrow.

Which was disagreed to.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the first section?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Lawson and Mr. Rankin, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Alter	Mr. Farrell	Mr. J. Miller
Aughinbaugh	W. B. Foster	Nicholson
Barber	Haines	Overholzer
Bell, West.	Harrison	Patterson
Boyer	Irwin	Rahn
Brown, Allegh.	Kennedy	Ringland
Burden	Kerr	Scudder
Buyers	Krepps	Shannon
Cooper	Lauman	F. Smith
Cummin	M'Bride	Thomas
Cunningham	M'Clure	Tutwiler
Dorrance	M'Ewen	Walker
Dunlap	M'Reynolds	Whitlatch
Ellis	H. Miller	

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NAYS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. Fackenthall	Mr. R. Miller
Beatty	Good	Pearson
Becker	Hergesheimer	Pennypacker
G Bell	Hottenstein	Ramsey
Bell, Leb.	Knight	Rankin
Bertolet	Lawson	J. R. C. Smith
Binder	Lehman	Snyder
Blair	M'Sherry	J Stevens
Bonner	Mallery	Thompson
Bonsall	Martin	Wilson
Boyd	Mathews, Cam.	Wolfersberger
Cope	Matheys, Mont.	Wolford
Dillinger	Matts	Woolverton
Duncan	G. Miller	Ritner, Sp'r.

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So the question was determined in the negative.

On motion of Mr. Irwin, the House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Ellis in the chair, on the bill No. 78, entitled "A supplement to an act for laying out, making and keeping in repair the public roads and highways within this commonwealth, and for laying out private roads."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with amendments.

Agreeably to the order of the day,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Bertolet in the chair, on the bill No. 165, entitled "An act for the protection of vine yards." And

After some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with amendments.

On motion of Mr. F. Smith,

The House resumed the second reading of the bill No 100, postponed on the 2d, inst: entitled "A supplement to the act, entitled 'An act limiting the time during which judgments shall be a lien on real estate, and suits may be brought against the sureties of public officers.'"

And the first section recurring,

A motion was made by Mr. Meredith, to amend the same by striking therefrom these words,

"That from and after the passing of this act, it shall be lawful for any person or persons against whom any judgment is entered, or may hereafter be entered, or for the owner or owners of the real estate bound by such judgment, either by a personal appearance before the prothonotary of the proper county, or by writing, signed by the parties, and filed of record, to enter into an amicable scire facias with the plaintiff or plaintiffs, or other persons interested, or their agents or attorneys, and confess judgment, which shall have the effect of a revival of such original judgment for another term of five years, and proceedings may in like manner be again had to revive any such judgment, as often as the same may be found necessary, and the prothonotary shall receive seventy five cents for entering and filing such amicable action and confession of judgment: *Provided*, That no execution hereafter issued on any judgment, shall have the effect of continuing the lien of such judgment for any longer period than if no such execution had issued; but the same may be revived from time to time, as it may become necessary, in the manner prescribed by this act or the act to which this is a supplement, *Provided further*, that such proceedings to revive any such judgment shall not in any manner affect the proceedings on any such execution, but such execution and the proceedings thereon shall be taken and considered as if the first proviso in this act had not been passed." And inserting in lieu thereof these words, "That from and after the passage of this act, all judgments entered in any court of record of this commonwealth, or revived in manner prescribed by this act or the act to which this is a supplement, shall continue a lien on the real estate of the defendant for the term of five years from the day of entry or revival thereof, and no judgment shall continue a lien on such real estate for a longer period than five years, from the day on which such judgment may be entered or revived, unless revived within that period by agreement of the parties, and terre tenants filed in writing, and entered on the proper docket, or a writ of scire facias to revive the same be sued out within said period, according to the provisions of the act to which this is a

supplement, notwithstanding an execution may be issued within a year and a day from the rendering of such judgment, or a stay of execution may be entered on such judgment, or a time subsequent to the rendering of such judgment may be appointed by the agreement of the parties for the payment of the money for which such judgment may be rendered, or any part thereof, or notwithstanding any other condition or contingency may be attached to such judgment, nor shall the revival of such judgment by agreement as aforesaid or the issuing of a scire facias, either with or without entry of judgment thereon, have the effect of continuing such lien for a longer period than five years from the day on which it may be revived as aforesaid, or such scire facias may have issued."

And on the question,

Will the House agree so to amend?

A motion was made by Mr. Mallery, to postpone the question, together with the bill, until Monday the 22d inst.

Which was agreed to.

Agreeably to the order of the day,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Denny in the chair, on the bill No. 147, entitled "An act to encourage the destruction of foxes and wild cats." And

After some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with one amendment.

Agreeably to the order of the day,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. J. Miller, in the chair, on the bill No. 189, entitled "An act to perpetuate testimony in certain cases, and for other purposes."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill without amendment.

Adjourned until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.



THURSDAY, January 18, 1827.

Mr. Denny presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Allegheny county, praying that a state road may be laid out from Williamsburg, in Washington county, to Pittsburg.

Mr. Ramsey presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Bucks county, praying for certain alterations in the law relative to the election of treasurer of the said county.

Mr. Bell of Westmoreland presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Westmoreland county, praying that the court of the said county may be authorised to regulate the ferries on the Youghiogeny river, in the said county.

Mr. Dorrance presented a remonstrance from sundry members of the grand jury of Dauphin county, against the removal of judge Franks from office.

Mr. Cummin presented two petitions, of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of Mifflin county, praying for the establishment of a district of the supreme court at Harrisburg.

Mr. Cummin presented seven petitions, of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of Mifflin county, praying for a division of the said county.

Mr. Scudder presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Northumberland county, against the removal of the place of holding the supreme court from Sunbury to Harrisburg.

And the said petitions and remonstrances were

Laid on the table.

Mr. Irwin presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Fayette county, praying that a state road may be laid out from Uniontown to Pittsburg.

Which was referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

Mr. Krepps presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Salt Lick township, Fayette county, praying that a commissioner may be appointed to superintend the building of the bridge over Indian creek, in the room of Andrew Trapp, deceased.

Which was referred to the members from the said county.

Mr. Kennedy presented eight petitions, of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of Northampton and Lehigh counties, praying for the erection of a new county out of a part of Northampton county.

Which were referred to Messrs Kennedy, Tutwiler, J. Miller, Krepps and M'Bride.

Mr. Becker presented the petition of Jesse Cornelius, of York county, accompanied with documents, stating his services in the revolutionary war, and praying relief.

Which were referred to the committee on claims.

Mr. Krepps presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Fayette county, praying that the courts of quarter sessions may be authorised to regulate ferriages in the said county.

Which was referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

Mr. Mallery presented the petition of Archippus Parrish, of Susquehanna county, praying that the pre-emption right to certain lands in Susquehanna county, late the estate of Andrew Allen, may be granted to him.

Which was referred to Messrs Mallery, Barber and Shannon.

Mr. Mallery presented the petition of John Smith and Thomas Borbridge of Luzerne county, praying for authority to construct a rail road from their coal mines, in Plymouth township, to the Susquehanna river.

Which was referred to Messrs. Mallery, Good and Dunca

Mr. F. Smith, from the committee on the judiciary system, to whom was referred the report of the commissioners appointed to revise the penal code, reported the following resolution, viz.

Whereas, it appears from the report of the commissioners transmitted to this House, that from the arduous nature of the duties devolved upon them, and the shortness of the time in which they could devote their attention to the subject, they will not be prepared to make a final report at the present session of the Legislature, in time to be acted on.

Therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, in General Assembly met, That the said commissioners shall have further time, until two weeks after the meeting of the next Legislature, to make their final report, and that they be and are hereby authorised, at least four months before the meeting of the next legislature, to print five hundred copies of their report, together with such other papers connected therewith as they may think necessary, the expense of which shall be paid out of the contingent fund, and to send one copy to each member of the legislature, and to such other persons as they may deem expedient, in order to obtain any necessary information on the matters contained in such report.

Which were read and

Laid on the table.

Mr. Rahn, from the committee of accounts, made a report, (No. 137,) relative to the accounts of witnesses in the cases of judges Franks, and Chapman accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That the Speaker draw his warrants on the State Treasurer, for the above sums, in favor of the before named persons respectively. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

Mr. M'Creery, from the committee on claims, reported a bill, No. 234, entitled "An act for the relief of Mary Witman, widow of George Witman, a revolutionary soldier."

Mr. F. Smith, from the committee on the judiciary system, reported a resolution, (No. 235,) relative to a general bankrupt law.

Mr. Hetrick, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 16th instant, a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 236, entitled "An act to authorise Philip J. King, of York to sell a certain house and lot of ground situate in the borough of York, and to execute a title for the same."

Which bills and resolution were read, and

Laid on the table.

Mr. Bonner, from the committee appointed for the purpose on the 16th inst. reported a bill,

No. 237, entitled "An act for the better preservation of the records contained in the public offices of the several counties in this commonwealth."

Which bill was read, and made the order of the day for Thursday, the first of February next.

Mr. Woolverton, from the committee to whom was referred, on yesterday, a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 238, entitled "An act declaring part of Broken-straw creek a public highway."

Which bill was read, and

Laid on the table.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, presented for concurrence the bills entitled as follow, viz.

No. 239, "An act to enable the Governor of this commonwealth to incorporate a company for opening a canal and lock navigation between the rivers Delaware and Schuylkill, through the southern section of Philadelphia county."

No. 240, "An act to make valid a certain deed from the administrator of Henry Snyder, deceased, to Michael Simon."

Which bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

He returned the resolution and bill entitled as follow, viz.

No. 171, "Resolution relative to the claims of revolutionary soldiers."

No. 164, "An act for the relief of William Lemon and Andrew Shuster, revolutionary soldiers."

And gave information,

That the Senate have passed said resolution and bill with amendments, in which the concurrence of the House of Representatives is requested.

The amendments by the Senate to the said bill and resolution were read, considered and concurred in. And

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate of the same.

The Clerk of the Senate gave further information,

That the Senate have concurred in the amendments by the House of Representatives to the bill No. 128, entitled "An act to provide for the copying or transcribing certain dockets or books of record of the court of common pleas of Adams county."

And have concurred in the amendments by the House of Representatives, with an amendment, in which the concurrence of the House of Representatives is requested, to the bill No. 129, entitled "An act relative to the election of constables in certain counties."

The said amendment to the amendments by this House was read, considered and concurred in. And

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate of the same.

A motion was made by Mr. Dillinger and G. Miller, they being in the majority, to re-consider the vote given on yesterday, on

the first section of the bill No. 163, entitled "An act to repeal in part an act, entitled An act to improve the leading roads in Jefferson and M'Kean counties."

And on the question,

Will the House agree to re-consider the said vote?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Ellis and Mr. M'Clure, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Alter	Mr. Fackenthall	Mr. J. Miller
Atkinson	Farrell	Nicholson
Aughinbaugh	W. B. Foster	Overholzer
Barber	Haines	Patterson
Becker	Harrison	Rahn
G. Bell	Hetrick	Ringland
Bell, Leb.	Hottenstein	Scudder
Bell, West.	Irwin	Shannon
Boyer	Kennedy	F. Smith
Brown, Allegh.	Kerr	P. Stephens
Buyers	Krepps	Thomas
Cooper	Lauman	Tutwiler
Cope	M'Bride	Walker
Cummin	M'Clure	Whitlatch
Denny	M'Creery	Wilson
Dillinger	M'Reynolds	Wise
Dorrance	Madden	Wolfersberger
Dunlap	Mallery	Wolford
Ellis	G. Miller	Woolverton
Evans	H. Miller	

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NAYS.

Mr. Beatty	Mr. Knight	Mr. R. Miller
Bertolet	Lawson	Pearson
Binder	Lehman	Pennypacker
Bonner	M'Ewen	Ramsey
Bonsall	M'Sherry	Rankin
Boyd	Martin	J. R. C. Smith
Burden	Mathews, Cam.	J. Stevens
Duncan	Matheys, Mont.	Thompson
Good	Matts	Ritner, Sp'r.
Hergesheimer	Meredith	

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So the question was determined in the affirmative.

The bill being again before the House,

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the first section?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Ellis and Mr. Thomas, and are as follows, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Alter	Mr. Evans	Mr. H. Miller
Atkinson	Fackenthall	J. Miller
Aughinbaugh	Farrell	Nicholson
Barber	W. B. Foster	Overholzer
Becker	Haines	Patterson
G. Bell	Harrison	Rahn
Bell, Leb.	Hetrick	Ringland
Bell, West.	Irwin	Shannon
Boyer	Kennedy	F. Smith
Brown, Allegh.	Kerr	P. Stephens
Burden	Krepps	Thomas
Buyers	Lauman	Tutwiler
Cooper	M'Bride	Walker
Cope	M'Clure	Whitlatch
Cummin	M'Creery	Wilson
Denny	M'Reynolds	Wise
Dillinger	Madden	Wolfersberger
Dorrance	Mallery	Wolford
Dunlap	G. Miller	Woolverton
Ellis		

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NAYS.

Mr. Beatty	Mr. Knight	Mr. R. Miller
Bertolet	Lawson	Pearson
Binder	Lehman	Pennypacker
Bonner	M'Ewen	Ramsey
Bonsall	M'Sherry	Rankin
Boyd	Martin	J. R. C. Smith
Duncan	Mathews, Cam.	J. Stevens
Good	Matheys, Mont.	Thompson
Hergesheimer	Matts	Ritner, <i>Sp'r.</i>
Hottenstein	Meredith	

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So the question was determined in the affirmative.

The title was considered and agreed to. And

Ordered, That the bill be transcribed for the third reading.

The bill No. 78, entitled "A supplement to an act for laying out, making and keeping in repair the public roads and highways within this commonwealth, and for laying out private roads," was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered, To be transcribed for the third reading.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, presented for concurrence the bills entitled as follow, viz.

No. 241, "A supplement to the act, entitled An act to erect the town of Chester and its vicinity, in the county of Delaware, into a borough, and for other purposes therein mentioned."

Which bill was read, and

Laid on the table.

No. 242, "An act abolishing the middle, southern and Lancaster districts of the supreme court, and establishing one at Harrisburg."

Which bill was read, and made the order of the day for Thursday, the 25th inst.

Adjourned until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

FRIDAY, January 19, 1827.

The Speaker laid before the House a letter, (No. 138,) from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, relative to the offices of Adjutant General and Brigade Inspector.

Which was read,

When a motion was made by Mr. J. R. C. Smith, that the same be referred to the committee on the militia system.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. M'Creery presented two remonstrances, of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of Washington county, against the removal of justice Miller from office.

Which were referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

Mr. Madden presented two remonstrances, of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of Union county, against an inquiry into the conduct of judge Chapman.

Which were referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

Mr. Denny presented two petitions of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of Allegheny county, praying that a state road may be laid out from Williamsburg, in Washington county, to Pittsburg.

Mr. Madden presented two remonstrances, of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of Union county, against changing the place of holding the Supreme court from Sunbury to Harrisburg.

Mr. Boyer presented a memorial from sundry inhabitants of Montgomery county, remonstrating against the construction of the Pennsylvania canal, and praying for the repeal of the act relative to collateral inheritances.

And the said memorial, remonstrances and petitions, were

Laid on the table.

Mr. Denny presented a petition from the sureties of Samuel Mann, late a collector of taxes in the city of Pittsburg, praying for authority to collect the arrears of certain taxes.

Which was referred to Messrs. Denny, Hergeshiemer and Walker.

Mr. M'Creery presented the petition of Robert Colmery, recorder of deeds of Washington county, accompanied with a document, praying for authority to make a transverse index of the deeds recorded in his office.

Which were referred to the members of the said county.

Mr. Burden presented the petition of James Ronaldson, of the county of Philadelphia, praying that a certain burial ground therein mentioned may be exempted from taxation on certain conditions.

Which was referred to the members from the city and county of Philadelphia.

Mr. Aughinbaugh presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Franklin county, praying for an appropriation in aid of improving a part of the state road from Carlisle to Fort Littleton.

Which was referred to the members from Franklin and Bedford counties.

Mr. Woolverton presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Erie county, praying for certain alterations in the act passed 20th March, 1812, relative to certain lands, the property of this commonwealth, in the said county.

Which was referred to the committee on the judiciary system.

Mr. Walker presented the petition of William Bower, of Washington county, Maryland, accompanied with documents, stating his services in the revolutionary war, and praying relief.

Which were referred to the committee on claims.

Mr. Rahn presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Schuylkill county, praying for an appropriation in aid of opening the state road from Orwigsburg to Nescopeck.

Mr. Mallery presented a petition of like import with the foregoing from sundry inhabitants of Luzerne county.

And the said petitions were referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

Mr. W. B. Foster presented a petition from the contractors for erecting the western penitentiary of Pennsylvania, accompanied with documents, praying for the payment of certain damages sustained by them upon their contract.

Which were referred to Messrs. W. B. Foster, Barber and M'Ewen.

Mr. Woolverton presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Limestone, Deerfield and Southwest townships, Warren county, praying that the place of holding their general elections may be changed to the house of Samuel Parshall, in Deerfield township.

Which was referred to the committee on election districts.

A motion was made by Mr. J. Miller, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That the committee on the judiciary system be instructed to inquire into the propriety of extending the time in

which constables are now bound to return their executions, so as to make the time bear some proportion to the amount of the sum for which the execution issues.

And on motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

On motion of Mr. Barber,

Ordered, That an item of unfinished business, relative to fishing with gilling nets, in the river Susquehanna, be referred to Messrs. Barber, P. Stephens and Ellis.

On motion of Mr. Blair,

Ordered, That an item of unfinished business, relative to the erection of the town of Alexandria, in Huntingdon county, into a borough, be referred to Messrs. Blair, G. Bell and Hetrick.

Mr. Binder obtained leave of absence for a few days from Monday next.

Mr. Bonner obtained leave of absence for a few days from tomorrow.

Mr. Dillinger, from the committee appointed to compare bills and present them to the Governor for his approbation, made report, which was read as follows, viz.

That in conjunction with a similar committee from the Senate, they have compared, and on yesterday presented to the Governor for his approbation, the bills entitled as follow, to wit.

"An act for the relief of Mary Nagle and Catherine Miller, widows of revolutionary soldiers."

"A supplement to the act, entitled An act to incorporate a company for making a turnpike road from Butler to the Allegheny river, opposite Kittanning."

"An act to incorporate the borough of Muncy, in Lycoming county."

"An act for the relief of William Lemon and Andrew Shuster, revolutionary soldiers." And also,

Resolution relative to the claims of revolutionary soldiers.

Laid on the table.

Mr. F Smith, from the committee on the judiciary system, made a report, (No. 139,) relative to declaring commissioners of counties bodies corporate, accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That the committee be discharged from any further consideration of the subject.

Laid on the table.

Mr. Rahn, from the committee of accounts, made a report, (No. 140,) relative to the accounts of witnesses in the cases of judges Franks and Chapman, accompanied with the following resolution viz.

Resolved. That the Speaker draw his warrants on the State Treasurer. for the above sums, in favour of the before named persons respectively.

And on motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

Mr. Wise, from the committee appointed to inquire into the official conduct of judge Chapman, made a report, (No. 141,) accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That the committee be discharged from any further consideration of the subject.

And on motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, and being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Scudder, to postpone the further consideration of the same until Monday next.

Which was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. M'Reynolds,

Ordered, That the usual number of copies of the said report be printed for the use of the members.

Mr. M'Creery, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 17th instant, a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 243, entitled "A supplement to an act, entitled An act for the promotion of agriculture and domestic manufactures."

Mr. Krepps, from the committee to whom was, on yesterday, referred a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 244, entitled "A further supplement to an act passed the 30th day of March, 1824, entitled A supplement to an act, entitled An act making appropriations for certain internal improvements, and for other purposes."

Mr. Cunningham, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 15th instant, a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 245, entitled "An act to enable the Governor to incorporate a company for making an artificial road from the borough of Mercer, in the county of Mercer, to the line of the state of Ohio, in a direction to the centre of Vernon, in the county of Trumbull, in the state of Ohio."

Which bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, presented for concurrence the bill No. 246, entitled "An act authorising the laying out a state road from Dillsburg, in the county of York, to the town of Berlin, in Adams county."

Which bill was read, and

Laid on the table.

The bill No. 163, entitled "An act to repeal, in part, an act entitled An act to improve the leading roads in M'Kean and Jefferson counties," was read the third time.

And on the question,

Shall the same pass?

A motion was made by Mr. Meredith, to postpone the question, together with the bill, until this day week.

And on the question,

Will the House agree so to postpone?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. J. R. C. Smith and Mr. Matts, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Beatty	Mr. Harrison	Mr. Pearson
Becker	Hottenstein	Pennypacker
Bertolet	Knight	Ramsey
Binder	Lawson	Rankin
Blair	Lehman	Scodder
Bonsall	M'Ewen	J. R. C. Smith
Boyd	M'Sherry	J. Stevens
Cooper	Madden	Thompson
Duncan	Martin	Wilson
Fackenthall	Matts	Woolverton
Good	Meredith	Ritner, <i>Sp'r.</i>
Haines	R. Miller	

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NAYS.

Mr. Alter	Mr. Ellis	Mr. H. Miller
Atkinson	Evans	J. Miller
Aughinbaugh	Farrell	Nicholson
Barber	W. B. Foster	Overholzer
G. Bell	Hergesheimer	Patterson
Bell Leb.	Hetrick	Rahn
Bonner	Irwin	Ringland
Boyer	Kennedy	Shannon
Brown, Allegh.	Kerr	F. Smith
Brown, Lan.	Krepps	P. Stephens
Burden	Lauman	Thomas
Buyers	M'Bride	Tutwiler
Cope	M'Clure	Walker
Cummin	M'Reynolds	Whitlatch
Cunningham	Mallery	Wise
Dillinger	Mathews, Cam.	Woltersberger
Dorrance	Matheys, Mont.	Wolford
Dunlap	G. Miller	

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So the question was determined in the negative.

And the question recurring,

Shall the bill pass?

It was determined in the affirmative. And

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

The bill No. 78, entitled "A supplement to an act for laying out, making and keeping in repair the public roads and highways within this commonwealth, and for laying out private roads," was read the third time.

When a motion was made by Mr. Denny, that the said bill be re-committed to the committee who reported it, and that five members be added to the said committee.

Which was agreed to. And

Ordered, That Messrs. Meredith, Denny, Ellis, Blair and M^r. Reynolds, be of the said committee.

On motion of Mr Ellis, the House resumed the consideration of the report of the committee of accounts, postponed on the 16th instant.

And the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the amendment, to wit, to strike from the said report the charges for copying records?

It was determined in the negative.

Adjourned until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

SATURDAY, January 20, 1827.

The Speaker laid before the House the proceedings (No. 142,) of a meeting of the citizens of Lancaster, relative to the removal of the seat of government.

Which were read, and

Laid on the table.

The Speaker laid before the House a letter (No. 143,) from the chairman and secretaries, together with the proceedings (No. 144) of a town meeting of the citizens of Philadelphia, relative to the removal of the seat of government.

Which were read, and

Laid on the table.

Mr. Thomas presented three petitions, of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of Luzerne, Northampton and Lehigh counties, praying that a company may be incorporated for the purpose of making a turnpike road from Wilkesbarre to Mauch Chunk.

Mr. Meredith presented a document relative to the extension of the bounds of the district of Spring Garden.

Mr. M^rBride presented four petitions, of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of Columbia county, praying for the repeal of the act authorising the laying out a state road from Cattawissa to Pennsborough.

Mr. M^rEwen presented two petitions, of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of the city and county of Philadelphia, praying that a company may be incorporated for the purpose of making a canal from the Schuylkill to the Delaware river, in the said county.

Mr. Hergesheimer presented two petitions, of like import with the foregoing.

Mr. Blair presented five remonstrances, of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of Mifflin county, against a division of the said county.

And the said petitions, remonstrances and document were Laid on the table.

Mr. Martin presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Delaware county, praying for certain alterations in the law regulating the fisheries on the river Delaware, so far as respects the said county.

Which was referred to the members from the county of Delaware, the city and county of Philadelphia, and the county of Bucks.

Mr. Boyer presented the petition of Stephen Barth, of Berks county, accompanied with documents, praying compensation for a tract of donation land for his services in the revolutionary war.

Which were referred to the committee on claims

Mr. J. Stevens presented the petition of Samuel Detweiler, of Bucks county, accompanied with documents, praying for a divorce from the bonds of matrimony.

Which were referred to Messrs. J. Stevens, Rahn and Krepps.

Mr. Aughinbaugh presented the petition of the trustees of the Chambersburg academy, in Franklin county, accompanied with a document, praying for legislative aid.

Which were referred to the members from the said county.

Mr. Fackenthall presented the memorial of Henry Quinn, of the state of New Jersey, accompanied with documents, stating that he has invented an improvement in navigation locks, called the "Hydrostatic lift," and praying for the appointment of a committee to examine the merits of the said improvement.

Which were referred to the committee on inland navigation and internal improvement.

Mr. J. R. C. Smith presented the petition of John L. Sullivan, of the city of Philadelphia, accompanied with a document, praying that a company may be incorporated for the purpose of constructing and using marine railways in the port of Philadelphia.

Which were referred to Messrs. J. R. C. Smith, Haines, Boyd, Ellis and M'Ewen.

A motion was made by Mr. Bell of Lebanon, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That when this House adjourns it will adjourn to meet on Monday morning at half past nine o'clock in the forenoon, and that to be the standing hour of meeting until otherwise ordered, and on the afternoons of Monday, Wednesday and Friday of each week, at 3 o'clock, and that the afternoon sessions of Monday and Friday, be exclusively for the consideration of private bills. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the same?

A division of the question was called for by Mr. Burden,
And on the question,

Will the House agree to the first part of the resolution ending with "otherwise ordered?"

A motion was made by Mr. Lehman, to postpone the question, together with the resolution, for the present.

And on the question,

Will the House agree so to postpone?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Bell of Lebanon and Mr. Ellis, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Aughinbaugh	Mr. Ellis	Mr. Mallery
Barber	Evans	Martin
Beatty	Fackenthall	Meredith
Bell, West.	W. B. Foster	H. Miller
Bartolet	Good	Pearson
Bonner	Haines	Rahn
Bonsall	Harrison	Ramsey
Boyd	Hergesheimer	J. R. C. Smith
Boyer	Hottenstein	Snyder
Brown, Allegh.	Knight	P. Stephens
Burden	Lawson	Thomas
Buyers	Lehman	Thompson
Cooper	M'Clure	Wise
Cummin	M'Creery	Woolverton
Cunningham	M'Ewen	Ritner, Sp'r.
Dillingr	M'Reynolds	

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NAYS.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Irwin	Mr. Overholzer
Becker	Kennedy	Patterson
G. Bell	Krepps	Pennypacker
Bell, Leb.	Lauman	Rankin
Binder	M'Bride	Ringland
Blair	M'Sherry	Shannon
Brown, Lan.	Mathews, Cam.	F. Smith
Cope	Matheys, Mont.	J. Stevens
Denny	Matts	Tutwiler
Dorrance	G. Miller	Whitlatch
Duncan	J. Miller	Wilson
Dunlap	R. Miller	Wolfersberger
Farrell	Nicholson	Wolford
Hetrick		

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So the question was determined in the affirmative.

A motion was made by Mr. Harrison, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That the committee of ways and means be instructed to inquire into the expediency of the renewal of the charter of the bank of Pennsylvania. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

A motion was made by Mr. Meredith, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to inquire into the expediency of altering the laws of this commonwealth for the inspection of beef, pork, bark and staves, and that the committee have leave to report by bill or otherwise. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted. And

Ordered, That Messrs. Meredith, R. Miller, Cooper, Dunlap, Evans, Brown of Lancaster and Patterson, be a committee for the purpose therein expressed.

On motion of Mr. F. Smith,

Ordered, That the committee on the judiciary system be discharged from the further consideration of the petition of sundry inhabitants of Chester county, relative to judge Davis, presented on the 9th ultimo, and that the petitioners have leave to withdraw their petition.

Mr. Ellis gave notice that on Monday next he would ask leave to bring in a bill, entitled

"A supplement to an act, entitled An act authorising the recorder of deeds for Indiana county, to record the draft of a resurvey of the town of Indiana, and for other purposes."

Mr. Alter obtained leave of absence for a few days.

Mr. Rahn obtained leave of absence for a few days from Saturday next.

Mr. Dillinger, from the committee appointed to compare bills and present them to the Governor for his approbation, made report, which was read as follows, viz.

That in conjunction with a similar committee from the Senate, they have compared and on yesterday presented to the Governor for his approbation, the bills, entitled as follow, to wit:

An act relative to the election of constables in certain counties.

An act to provide for the copying or transcribing of certain dockets or books of record of the courts of common pleas of Adams and Chester counties.

Laid on the table.

Mr. Rahn, from the committee of accounts, made a report, (No. 145,) relative to the accounts of witnesses in the case of judge Franks, accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That the Speaker draw his warrants on the State Treasurer, for the above sums, in favor of the before named persons respectively. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

Mr. F. Smith, from the committee on the judiciary system, made a report, (No. 146,) relative to increasing the salaries of the associate judges of Allegheny county, accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That the committee be discharged from any further consideration of the subject.

Laid on the table.

Mr. F. Smith, from the committee on the judiciary system, reported a bill,

No. 247, entitled "An act to repeal An act establishing a district court in the county of Dauphin."

Which bill was read, and

Laid on the table.

Mr. M'Creery, from the committee appointed on the complaint against justice Miller, made a report, (No. 147,) accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That the committee be discharged from the further consideration of the subject. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

Mr. Woolverton, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 10th inst. a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 248, entitled "An act granting to Peter S. V. Hamot, a preemption right to certain lots of ground."

Mr. Aughinbaugh, from the committee to whom was referred, on yesterday, a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 249, entitled "An act to aid in the repairing the state road from Carlisle to Fort Littleton."

Mr. Brown of Allegheny, from the committee to whom were referred sundry petitions on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 250, entitled "An act for the relief of the Pittsburg and Steubenville turnpike road company."

Mr. Barber, from the committee to whom was, on yesterday, referred that item of unfinished business, reported a resolution,

No. 251, relative to fishing with gill nets in the Chesapeake bay and Susquehanna river.

Which bills and resolution were read, and

Laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. F. Smith,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Bell of Lebanon in the chair, on the resolution No. 252, relative to the report of the commissioners appointed to revise the penal code. And

After some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Leave was granted. And

Ordered, That the committee of the whole sit again on Monday the 22d inst.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, presented for concurrence, the bill No. 253, entitled "An act authorizing the laying out a state road from the widow Plesterer's tavern, in War-

wick township, in the county of Lancaster, to Shæfferstown, in the county of Lebanon."

Which bill was read, and
Laid on the table.

He returned the bill No. 18, entitled "An act to improve a certain public road, crossing the Lehigh hills, opposite the village of Bethlehem, in Northampton county."

With information,

That the Senate have passed the same without amendment.
The bill, No. 165, entitled "An act for the protection of vineyards," was read the second time.

And the first section being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Fackenthall, to amend the same, by striking from the 6th line, these words, "or take off."

When a motion was made by Mr. Patterson, to postpone the amendment, together with the bill, for the present.

Which was agreed to

The House resumed the second reading of the bill No. 153, postponed on the 13th inst. entitled "An act concerning the backing or endorsing warrants, by justices' of the peace."

And the first section recurring,

A motion was made by Mr. F. Smith, to amend the same, by inserting after "required," in the 10th line, these words, "upon proof being made of the hand writing of the justice or justices granting such warrant."

Which was disagreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Lawson, to amend the section, by inserting after "commonwealth," in the 6th line, these words, "in criminal cases."

Which was agreed to.

And the section as amended was agreed to.

The second section and title were considered and agreed to. And,

Ordered, That the bill be transcribed for the third reading.

On motion of Mr. Lawson, the House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Tutwiler in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 212, entitled "An act to authorise the printing and distribution of an additional number of the pamphlet laws."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with amendments.

The Secretary of the Commonwealth being introduced, presented a message from the Governor, which was read as follows, viz.

To the Senate and House of Representatives of the commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

GENTLEMEN,

I have this day approved and signed the following acts of the General Assembly, and directed the Secretary of the Common-

wealth to return them to the Houses in which they respectively originated, viz.

An act to incorporate the borough of Muncy, in Lycoming county.

An act for the relief of William Lemon and Andrew Shuster, revolutionary soldiers.

An act for the relief of Mary Nagle and Catharine Miller, widows of revolutionary soldiers.

A supplement to the act, entitled An act to incorporate a company for making a turnpike road from Butler to the Allegheny river, opposite Kittanning.

An act relative to the election of constables in certain counties.

An act to provide for the copying or transcribing of certain dockets or books of record of the courts of common pleas of Adams and Chester counties.

A resolution relative to the claims of revolutionary soldiers.

J. ANDW. SHULZE.

Harrisburg, January 19, 1827.

Laid on the table.

The Secretary of the Commonwealth also presented the following messages from the Governor, viz:

(No. 148,) message accompanied with (No. 149,) a copy of a letter from the Governor of Georgia, and resolutions of that state, relative to an amendment of the constitution of the United States.

(No. 150,) message accompanied with (No. 151,) a letter of C. F. Mercer, chairman of a committee of the Chesapeake and Ohio canal convention, and (No. 152,) a memorial to the legislature of this commonwealth, relative to the said canal.

On motion of Mr. Irwin,

Ordered, That the message and documents relative to the Chesapeake and Ohio canal, be referred to Messrs. Irwin, Shannon, Cunningham, P. Stephens, M'Creery, Blair and F. Smith,

Adjourned until 10 o'clock on Monday morning next.



MONDAY, January 22, 1827.

Mr. Scudder presented a memorial, (No. 153,) from the grand jury, commissioners and associate judges of Northumberland county, relative to the removal of the seat of government.

Laid on the table.

Mr. Kerr presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Fayette and Washington counties, praying that the courts of quarter sessions may be authorised to regulate ferriages in the said counties.

Which was referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

Mr. Dillinger presented two petitions, of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of Lehigh county, praying for an appropriation in aid of the erection of a bridge across the river Schuylkill, at Hamburg, in Berks county.

Mr. Dorrance presented a petition of like import with the foregoing, from sundry inhabitants of Dauphin county.

And the said petitions were referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

Mr. Duncan presented a remonstrance from sundry members of the religious society of 7th day Baptists of Ephrata, Cocalico township, Lancaster county, against altering their act of incorporation.

Mr. Krepps presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Fayette county, praying for an appropriation in aid of opening the state road from Union town to Pittsburg.

Mr. Knight presented three petitions, of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of the city and county of Philadelphia, praying that a company may be incorporated for the purpose of making a canal from the Schuylkill to the Delaware river, in the said county.

Mr. Scudder presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Northumberland county, against changing the place of holding the supreme court from Sunbury to Harrisburg.

Mr. P. Stephens presented a remonstrance of like import with the foregoing.

Mr. Scudder presented two petitions, of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of Northumberland county, praying for an appropriation in aid of improving the road from Sunbury to Rodgers' ferry.

Mr. WCreery presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Washington and Allegheny counties, against the laying out of state roads from the Virginia state line, to Pittsburg.

Mr. Cummin presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Mifflin county, praying for a division of the said county.

Mr. Cummin presented a petition of like import with the foregoing, from the grand inquest of the said county.

Mr. M'Reynolds presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Columbia county, praying for the removal of judge Chapman from office.

Mr. Whitlatch presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Greene and Fayette counties, praying that a state road may be laid out from Haydentown to the Virginia state line, in a direction to the mouth of Fishing creek.

Mr. Bell of Lebanon presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Lebanon county, against the removal of judge Franks from office.

And the said petitions and remonstrances were

Laid on the table.

Mr. Krepps presented two petitions, of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of Fayette and Washington counties, praying that Jacob Crawford and others may be authorized to erect mills on the Monongahela river, at Crawford's ripple.

Which were referred to the members from the said counties.

Mr. Dillinger presented two petitions, of similar tenor, from sundry members of the Union Church, of North Whitehall township, Lehigh county, praying that a certain tract of land therein mentioned, may be vested in trustees for the use of said church.

Which were referred to Messrs. Dillinger, Becker and Kennedy.

Mr. Woolverton presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Warren county, praying that a company may be incorporated for the purpose of improving the navigation of the Allegheny river and Conewango creek.

Which was referred to Messrs. Woolverton, P. Stephens, Cunningham, Wilson and Mallery.

Mr. Thomas presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Covington township, Luzerne county, praying that the place of holding their general elections may be changed to the town house at the four corners.

Which was referred to the committee on election districts.

Mr. Ramsey presented the petition of John Anderson, of Bucks county, accompanied with documents, stating his services in the revolutionary war, and praying relief.

Mr. Buyers presented sundry documents relative to the claim of Samuel Lockart.

And the said petitions and documents were referred to the committee on claims.

Mr. Irwin presented the petition of Rebecca Fleining, of Fayette county, accompanied with documents, praying for a divorce from the bonds of matrimony.

Which were referred to Messrs. Irwin, M'Creery and Whitlatch.

Mr. Wise presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Allegheny township, Westmoreland county, praying for certain alterations in the law relative to the payment of supervisors of the highways.

Which was referred to the members from the said county.

A motion was made by Mr. Rahn, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That the president of the Northampton bank, and the president of the Easton bank, be and they are hereby required to furnish to this House, on or before the 20th day of February, 1827, detailed statements of the Lehigh coal and navigation company's accounts, stating particularly the dates and amounts of deposits made by said company, within three years prior to the

first day of January, 1827, and the amount of drafts and checks paid, to whom, and the sum of each respectively.

Resolved, That the acting managers of the Lehigh coal and navigation company, be, and they are hereby required to furnish to this House, on or before the twentieth day of February, 1827, a statement of the amount of drafts and checks drawn by them on the Northampton and Easton banks, the date and amount of each respectively, and stating particularly whether said drafts and checks were drawn exclusively to persons having claims against said company.

Laid on the table.

A motion was made by Mr. Duncan, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That bill No. 184, on the files of this House, entitled "A supplement to the act, entitled An act to incorporate the German religious society of the seventh day baptists of Ephrata, in the township of Cocalico, in the county of Lancaster, and for other purposes," be recommitted to the committee that reported it, and that two members be added to the said committee. And,

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted. And

Ordered, That Messrs. Aughinbaugh and Good be the additional members of the said committee.

A motion was made by Mr. F. Smith, that the committee on the judiciary system be discharged from the further consideration of an item of unfinished business, relative to extending the jurisdiction of justices of the peace, in cases of assault and battery.

The motion being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Tutwiler, to amend the same by striking therefrom all that follows the word "that," and inserting in lieu thereof these words,

"The committee on the judiciary system be instructed to report a bill extending the jurisdiction of justices of the peace in cases of assault and battery."

The motion to amend being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Ellis, to postpone the same, together with the original motion, until Monday the 29th inst.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. McClure gave notice that he would, on to-morrow, ask leave to bring in a bill, entitled "A supplement to the act, entitled An act to erect the town of Williamsport, in the county of Lycoming, into a borough."

Pursuant to notice Mr. Ellis asked leave to bring in a bill, entitled "A supplement to an act authorising the recorder of deeds for Indiana county, to record the draft of a re-survey of the town of Indiana, and for other purposes."

Which was granted. And

Ordered, That Messrs. Ellis, Scudder and Shannon, be a committee to prepare and bring in a bill accordingly.

On motion of Mr. Harrison,

Ordered, That an item of unfinished business, relative to taking lands in execution for the payment of debts, be referred to the committee on the judiciary system.

The bill No. 153, entitled "An act concerning the backing or endorsing warrants by justices of the peace," was read the third time and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. F. Smith, from the committee on the judiciary system, reported a bill,

No. 254, entitled "An act to compensate the commissioners appointed to revise the penal code."

Mr. M'Creery, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 19th inst. a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 255, entitled "An act authorising the recorder of deeds in the county of Washington, to make a transverse index of the deeds recorded in his office."

Mr. Rankin, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 17th inst. a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 256, entitled "An act authorising a re-examination and settlement of the accounts of Joseph M'Cullough, a supervisor in Jefferson county."

And the said bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

Mr. Farrell, from the committee appointed on the 12th inst. on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 257, entitled "An act more effectually to prevent nuisances on turnpike roads within this commonwealth."

Which bill was read, and made the order of the day for the first Monday of February next.

Mr. Aughinbaugh, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 20th inst. a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 258, entitled "An act for the relief of the Chambersburg Academy."

Mr. Irwin, from the committee to whom was committed, on the 19th inst. the bill

No. 78, entitled "A further supplement to the act for laying out, making and keeping in repair, the public roads and highways within this commonwealth, and for laying out private roads," reported the bill with amendments.

Mr. J. R. C. Smith, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 20th inst. a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 259, entitled "An act to incorporate the Philadelphia railway dock company."

And the said bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

Agreeably to leave given,

The House again resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Bell of Lebanon in the chair, on the resolution No. 252, relative to the report of the commissioners appointed to revise the penal code.

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the resolution with amendments. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, and being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. F. Smith, to amend the same by inserting after "copy," in the 8th line, "to the Governor one copy," and by inserting after "Legislature," in the same line, these words, "one copy to each of the heads of departments, judges of the supreme court, president judges and recorders of mayor's courts."

And on the question,

Will the House agree so to amend?

It was determined in the affirmative.

A motion was then made by Mr. Meredith, further to amend the resolution by striking therefrom all that follows the word "report," in the 4th line, to wit.

"And that they be, and are hereby authorised, at least four months before the meeting of the next Legislature, under the directions of the Secretary of the Commonwealth, to print five hundred copies of their report, together with such other papers connected therewith as they may think necessary, the expenses of which shall be paid by warrants drawn by the Governor on the State Treasurer in the usual manner, and to send one copy to the Governor, one copy to each member of the present and succeeding Legislature, one copy to each of the heads of departments, judges of the supreme court, president judges and recorders of mayor's courts, and to such other persons as they may deem expedient, in order to obtain any necessary information on the matters contained in such report."

And on the question,

Will the House agree so to amend?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Meredith and Mr. F. Smith, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Brown, Lan.
Cope
Dillinger
Haines
Irwin

Mr. Lehman
Matheys, Mont.
Matts
Meredith
G. Miller

Mr. R. Miller
Nicholson
Ramsey
J. R. C. Smith

NAYS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. W. Forster	Mr. Overholzer
Atkinson	W. B. Foster	Patterson
Aughinbaugh	Good	Pearson
Barber	Harrison	Pennypacker
Becker	Hergesheimer	Rahn
G. Bell	Hetrick	Rankin
Bell, Leb.	Hottenstein	Ringland
Bertolet	Kennedy	Scudder
Boyd	Kerr	Shannon
Boyer	Knight	F. Smith
Brown, Allegh.	Krepps	P. Stephens
Burden	Lauman	J. Stevens
Buyers	M'Clure	Thomas
Cooper	M'Creery	Thompson
Cummin	M'Ewen	Tutwiler
Cunningham	M'Reynolds	Walker
Denny	Madden	Whitlatch
Dorrance	Mallery	Wilson
Dunlap	Martin	Wise
Ellis	Mathews, Cam.	Wolfersberger
Evans	Mathewson	Wolford
Fackenthall	H. Miller	Woolverton
Farrell	J. Miller	Ritner, Sp'r. 69

So the question was determined in the negative.

A motion was then made by Mr. Meredith, to amend the resolution by striking "said," from the 3d line, and by inserting after "commissioners," in the 4th line, these words, "appointed to revise the penal code."

Which was agreed to.

And the resolution as amended was adopted.

The preamble was considered and disagreed to. And

Ordered, That the Clerk present the said resolution to the Senate for concurrence,

The House resumed the consideration of the resolution, attached to the report of the committee appointed to inquire into the official conduct of judge Chapman, postponed on the 19th inst.

When a motion was made by Mr. F. Smith, to amend the resolution by striking therefrom these words, "the committee be discharged from any further consideration of the subject," and inserting in lieu thereof these words, "the committee be and they are hereby directed to proceed with the investigation, and hear the witnesses, and evidence on the part of the said Seth Chapman, if he shall request them to do so."

The motion to amend being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Meredith, that the resolution and report be recommitted to the committee which made the report, with instructions to report the minutes of the testimony taken before them, and their opinion on the same.

The motion being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Shannon, to amend the same by striking therefrom "and their opinion on the same."

Which was disagreed to.

And the motion was agreed to.

Adjourned until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

TUESDAY, January 23, 1827.

The Speaker laid before the House the memorial of John Dowers, of the city of Philadelphia, praying for an inquiry into the official conduct of Joseph Reed, Esq. recorder of the mayor's court of the said city.

Which was read, and

Laid on the table.

Mr. Krepps presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Fayette county, praying for the confirmation of the state road from Uniontown to Pittsburg, also for an appropriation in aid of opening the said road.

Mr. McCreery presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Washington and Allegheny counties, against the laying out of state roads from the Virginia state line to Pittsburg.

Mr. Boyer presented a memorial from sundry inhabitants of Berks county, remonstrating against the construction of the Pennsylvania canal, and praying for the repeal of the act relative to collateral inheritances.

Mr. Good presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Berks county, against annexing a part of the said county to Lebanon county.

Mr. Wolfersberger presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Lebanon county, against the removal of judge Franks from office.

Mr. Scudder presented a memorial from the trustees of the Northumberland academy, tendering the use of their building to the Legislature in the event of a removal of the seat of Government to Northumberland.

Mr. W. B. Foster presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Allegheny and Beaver counties, praying that the money due to the commonwealth upon the public ground at the town of Beaver, may be appropriated in aid of improving the road from Pittsburg to Beaver.

Mr. Mallery presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Columbia county, against changing the place of holding the supreme court from Sunbury to Harrisburg.

Mr. Mallery presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Luzerne county, praying that a company may be incorporated for the purpose of making a turnpike road from Wilkesbarre to Mauch Chunk.

And the said petitions, memorials and remonstrances were,
Laid on the table.

Mr. Kerr presented the petition of Alexander M'Coy, of the State of Ohio, accompanied with documents, stating his services in the revolutionary war, and praying relief.

Which were referred to the committee on claims.

Mr. Alter presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of the borough of Newville, Cumberland county, praying that the said borough may be erected into a separate township.

Which was referred to Messrs. Alter, Becker and G. Miller.

Mr. Cunningham presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Mercer and Beaver counties, praying that a state road may be laid out from Mercer to Dawson's ferry, opposite to Georgetown.

Which was referred to Messrs. Cunningham, Shannon and Martin.

Mr. Mallery presented a petition from the president and managers of the Susquehanna and Great bend turnpike road company, praying that the said company may be authorised to make their annual report to the Auditor General on the fourth Monday of January.

Which was referred to Messrs. Mallery, Bonsall and Dillinger.

Mr. Mallery presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Luzerne county, praying that the road taxes on unseated lands in Pittston township, in the said county, may be appropriated for three years in aid of improving the road from Wilkesbarre to Spring brook bridge.

Which was referred to Messrs. Mallery, Duncan and Lawson.

Mr. Wise presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Westmoreland county, against the repeal of the act authorising a review of the state road from Johnstown to New Alexandria.

Which was referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

Mr. Scudder presented two petitions, of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of Northumberland county, praying that a state road may be laid out from Northumberland to Jersey shore.

Which were referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

Mr. M'Reynolds presented the petition of Alida M. Wattles, of Columbia county, accompanied with a document, praying for a divorce from the bonds of matrimony.

Which were referred to Messrs. M'Reynolds, J. Stevens and Hottenstein.

On motion of Mr. F. Smith,

Ordered, That the committee on the judiciary system be discharged from the further consideration of the petition from sundry

inhabitants of Northampton county, presented on the 8th inst. relative to county auditors.

Mr. M'Creery, from the committee on claims, made a report, (No. 154,) relative to the claim of Leonard Weyer, accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That the committee be discharged from any further consideration of the subject. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

Mr. M'Creery, from the committee on claims, made a report, (No. 155,) relative to the claim of William Bower, accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That the committee be discharged from any further consideration of the subject. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

Mr. M'Creery, from the committee on claims, made a report, (No. 156,) relative to the claim of Jesse Cornelius, accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That the committee be discharged from the further consideration of the subject,

And that the petitioner have leave to withdraw his petition and documents. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

Mr. Thomas, from the committee on the militia system, made a report, (No. 157,) relative to the 1st brigade 1st division Pennsylvania militia, accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That the committee be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

And on motion of Mr. Bonsall, the said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

Mr. F Smith, from the committee on the judiciary system, reported a bill,

No. 260, entitled "A supplement to an act appointing commissioners for the purpose of taking care of the public property at Erie and Waterford, and for other purpose."

Mr. Ellis, from the committee appointed for the purpose on yesterday, reported a bill,

No. 261, entitled "A supplement to an act, entitled An act authorising the recorder of deeds for Indiana county, to record the draft of a re-survey of the town of Indiana, and for other purposes."

Mr. Denny, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 9th ult. a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 262, entitled "An act to vest in the guardian of the infant child of John Cunningham, late of Pittsburg, deceased, the right of this commonwealth to the estate of the said John Cunningham."

Mr. Bertolet, from the committee to whom was referred on the 5th instant, a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 263, entitled "An act granting a compensation to George Schnell, of the borough of Reading."

Mr. Denny, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 12th instant, a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 264, entitled "An act relative to locating a state road from Freeport in Armstrong county, by Charlestown, in Allegheny county, to the borough of Beaver."

Mr. Kennedy, from the committee to whom were referred, on the 18th inst. sundry petitions on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 265, entitled "An act erecting part of Northampton county into a separate county, to be called Coal."

Mr. Dillinger, from the committee to whom were referred, on yesterday, sundry petitions on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 266, entitled "An act vesting a title to a certain tract of land in trustees for the benefit of congregations therein mentioned."

Mr. Denny, from the committee to whom was referred on the 19th inst. a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 267, entitled "An act for the relief of the sureties of Samuel Mann, late collector of taxes in the city of Pittsburg."

Mr. Good from the committee to whom were referred sundry petitions on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 268, entitled "An act appropriating a sum of money for the erection of a bridge over the river Schuylkill near Hamburg, in the county of Berks."

Mr. Mallery, from the committee to whom was referred on the 18th inst. a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 269, entitled "An act authorising the issuing of a patent to Archippus Parrish."

Mr. Irwin from the committee to whom was, on yesterday, referred a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 270, entitled "An act to annul the marriage contract of William Flemming and Rebecca his wife."

Which bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

On leave given,

A motion was made by Mr. Duncan, and read as follows, viz.

Whereas, slavery is a national evil, which the people and states of the Union are anxious to remove; a duty alike suggested by a wise and provident policy, the dictates of humanity, and the genius of our government. *And whereas*, in the opinion of this legislature a system of foreign colonization with correspondent measures might be adopted, which would in due time effect the gradual

and final emancipation of slaves in our country, and furnish an assylum for free blacks without any violation of the national compact, or infringement of the rights of individuals.

Therefore,

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, in General Assembly met, That the senators in congress from this state be, and they are hereby instructed, and the representatives be and they are hereby requested to give to the government of the United States, any aid in their power in devising and carrying into effect a plan which may have for its objects the gradual and entire emancipation of slaves, and the colonizing in some distant country of the free people of colour who are within the limits of the United States or any of their territories.

Resolved by the authority aforesaid That the governor be requested to forward a copy of these resolutions to the executive of each state in the Union respectively, with a request that they lay the same before their legislatures, and that he also forward a like copy to each of the senators and representatives in congress.

Laid on the table.

Pursuant to notice, Mr. M'Clure asked leave to bring in a bill, entitled "A supplement to the act, entitled An act to erect the town of Williamsport, in the county of Lycoming, into a borough."

Which was granted. And

Ordered, That Messrs. M'Clure, Bertolet and Cope, be a committee to prepare and bring in a bill accordingly.

On motion of Mr. Irwin,

The bill No. 78, entitled "A supplement to an act for laying out, making and keeping in repair the public roads and highways within this commonwealth, and for laying out private roads," was read the third time and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. F. Smith,

The resolutions read on the 4th inst. relative to conducting business between the two Houses, were read the second time. And

The 1st, 2d and 3d resolutions were severally considered and agreed to.

The 4th resolution being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. M'Creery, to amend the same by striking from the resolution, "four," and inserting in lieu thereof "eight."

Which was disagreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Meredith, to postpone the further consideration of the same for the present.

Which was agreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Meredith and Mr. M'Creery, they being in the majority, to reconsider the vote given on the 1st, 2d and 3d resolutions.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to reconsider the said vote?

A motion was made by Mr. F. Smith, to postpone the question, together with the motion, for the present.

Which was agreed to.

The bill No. 147, entitled "An act to encourage the destruction of foxes and wild cats," was read the second time. And

The first section being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Harrison, to amend the same, by inserting after "Centre," these words, "Bucks, Chester, Northampton, Berks, Montgomery, Lancaster, Lebanon, Cambria, city and county of Philadelphia, Delaware, Cumberland, Susquehanna, Luzerne, Bradford, York, Dauphin, Columbia, Westmoreland, Washington, Perry, Lycoming, Potter, M'Kean, Tioga, Clearfield, Erie and Warren."

Which was agreed to,

And the section as amended was agreed to.

The second section and title were severally considered and agreed to. And

Ordered, that the bill be transcribed for the third reading.

The bill No. 189, entitled "An act to perpetuate testimony in certain cases, and for other purposes," was read the second time considered and agreed to. And

Ordered to be transcribed for the third reading.

The House resumed the second reading of the bill No. 100, entitled "A supplement to the act, entitled An act limiting the time during which judgments shall be a lien on real estate, and suits may be brought against the sureties of public officers."

The first section recurring,

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

It was determined in the negative.

A motion was then made by Mr. J. Miller, to amend the section by striking therefrom these words,

"*Provided*," That no execution hereafter issued on any judgment shall have the effect of continuing the lien of such judgment for any longer period than if no such execution had issued, but the same may be revived from time to time, as it may become necessary, in the manner prescribed by this act, or the act to which this is a supplement: *Provided further*, that such proceedings to revive any such judgment, shall not, in any manner, affect the proceedings on any such execution, but such execution and the proceedings thereon shall be taken and considered as if the first proviso in this act had not been passed. And

On the question,

Will the House agree so to amend?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. J. Miller and Mr. Madden, and are as follow. viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Alter
Atkinson
Becker
Bell Leb.
Blair
Brown, Allegh.
Brown, Lan.
Cooper
Cummin
Denny
Dillinger
Dunlap
Ellis
W. Forster
W. B. Foster
Haines
Hetrick

Mr. Kennedy
Kerr
Krepps
Lawson
M'Bride
M'Clure
M'Creery
M'Ewen
M'Reynolds
Madden
Mallery
Mathews, Cam.
Mathewson
G. Miller
H. Miller
J. Miller

Mr. Nicholson
Overholzer
Patterson
Pennypacker
Ringland
Scudder
Shannon
Thomas
Tutwiler
Whitlatch
Wilson
Wise
Wolfersberger
Wolford
Woolverton
Ritner, Sp'r.

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NAYS.

Mr. Agnew
Aughinbaugh
Beatty
G. Bell
Bell, West.
Bertolet
Boyd
Boyer
Buyers
Cope
Dorrance
Duncan

Mr. Evans
Fackenthall
Farrell
Good
Harrison
Hergesheimer
Hottenstein
Irwin
Knight
Lauman
M'Sherry
Martin

Mr. Matheys, Mont.
Matts
Meredith
R. Miller
Ramsey
Rankin
F. Smith
J. R. C. Smith
J. Stevens
Thompson
Walker

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So the question was determined in the affirmative.

And the section as amended was agreed to.

The 2d section and title were severally considered and agreed to. And

Ordered, That the bill be transcribed for the third reading.

Adjourned until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

WEDNESDAY, January 24, 1827.

The Speaker laid before the House the proceedings (No. 158,) of a public meeting of the citizens of Lancaster, relative to the removal of the seat of government.

Laid on the table.

Mr. Mathews of Cambria presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Cambria county, praying that the price of vacant land, the property of the commonwealth, may be reduced.

Which was referred to Messrs. Mathews of Cambria, Denny, Wise, Ringland and Lawson.

Mr. Hottenstein presented two petitions, of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of Berks county, praying for the repeal of the act authorising the laying out of a state road from Orwigsburg to Stetler's tavern.

Mr. M'Bride presented a memorial from sundry inhabitants of Columbia county, remonstrating against the construction of the Pennsylvania canal, and praying for the repeal of the act relative to collateral inheritances.

Mr. Scudder presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Northumberland county, praying for an appropriation in aid of improving the road from Sunbury to Rodgers' ferry.

Mr. McClure presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Lycoming county, praying that a state road may be laid out from New Columbus to Jersey Shore.

Mr. Farrell presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Westmoreland county, against increasing the public debt for the purpose of making the Pennsylvania canal.

And the said petitions, memorial and remonstrance were

Laid on the table.

Mr. Evans presented the petition of Peter Hanly, of Montgomery county, praying compensation for services rendered by his late father, Patrick Hanly, in the revolutionary war.

Mr. Brown of Lancaster presented the petition of James Clendinen, of Lancaster county, accompanied with documents, stating his services in the revolutionary war, and praying relief.

And the said petitions and documents were referred to the committee on claims.

Mr. Farrell presented a petition from sundry stockholders of the Robbstown and Mount Pleasant turnpike road, praying that the Washington and Williamsport turnpike road company may be compelled to collect the subscriptions due by stockholders, and to complete their road.

Which was referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

A motion was made by Mr. Mallery, and read as follows, viz,
Whereas, doubts are entertained in relation to the effect of surveys made or returned subsequently to the 4th day of July, 1776, under office rights claimed as the property of the late proprietaries of Pennsylvania,

Therefore,

Resolved, That the committee on the judiciary system be instructed to inquire what alterations, if any, may be necessary in the laws upon that subject. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

A motion was made by Mr. Burden, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That the committee on inland navigation and internal improvement, be instructed to report by bill, a uniform and equitable mode of appraising damages incurred by owners of property by reason of the construction of the Pennsylvania canal.

And on motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

A motion was made by Mr. Shannon, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That the committee on inland navigation and internal improvement be instructed to examine a recent invention of a lock for saving water in canal transportation, a model whereof is deposited in the library room of the capitol for this purpose, and also to inquire into the propriety of appropriating such sum of money as may be considered necessary to defray the expense of constructing a lock on said plan for the purpose of testing its utility.

And on motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, and being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Lawson, to postpone the further consideration of the same for the present.

Which was agreed to.

A motion was made by Mr. Scudder, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That this House hereafter meet at 3 o'clock in the afternoons of Tuesdays and Thursdays,

And on motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, and being under consideration.

A motion was made by Mr. Ringland, to amend the same by adding thereto these words, "for the consideration of private bills."

The amendment being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Brown of Allegheny, to amend the same so as to read as follows, "And that the afternoons of Thursday be appropriated to the consideration of private bills."

Which was disagreed to.

And the amendment was disagreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. F. Smith, to amend the resolution by striking therefrom these words, "That this House hereafter meet at 3 o'clock in the afternoons of Tuesdays and Thursdays," and inserting in lieu thereof these words,

"That when this House adjourns, it will adjourn to meet at half past nine o'clock in the morning, and that that be the standing hour of meeting until otherwise ordered, and that the House will hereafter meet in the afternoons, at 3 o'clock, of Monday, Wednesday and Friday, and that the afternoons of Wednesdays and Fridays be appropriated to the consideration of private bills."

The amendment being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Meredith, to amend the same by striking therefrom these words, "and that the House will hereafter meet in the afternoons, at 3 o'clock, of Monday, Wednesday and Friday, and that the afternoons of Wednesdays and Fridays be appropriated to the consideration of private bills."

Which was disagreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. J. Miller, to amend the amendment by striking therefrom these words, "and that the afternoons of Wednesdays and Fridays be appropriated to the consideration of private bills."

Which was disagreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Krepps, to amend the amendment by striking therefrom these words, "that when this House adjourns it will adjourn to meet at half after 9 o'clock in the morning, and that that be the standing hour of meeting until otherwise ordered and."

Which was agreed to.

And the amendment as amended was agreed to.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the resolution as amended?

It was determined in the affirmative.

On motion of Mr. G. Bell,

Ordered, That an item of unfinished business, relative to the erection of a bridge over Anderson's creek, be referred to the members from Clearfield, Armstrong and Indiana counties.

Mr. Haines, from the committee to whom were referred the petitions of sundry inhabitants of Springettsbury Manor, made a report, (No. 159,) accompanied with the following resolution, *viz.*

Resolved, That it is inexpedient for the legislature further to interfere on the subject, or to grant the aid prayed for by the petitioners. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, and being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Hetrick, to postpone the further consideration of the same for the present.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Martin, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 20th instant, a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 272, entitled "An act supplementary to an act, entitled A supplement to the several acts of the Legislature regulating fisheries in the river Delaware."

Mr. Krepps, from the committee to whom were referred, on the 22d instant, sundry petitions on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 273, entitled "An act to authorise Jacob Crawford, Abel Lee Crawford, Josiah Crawford and James S. Crawford, to erect a dam on the Monongahela river.

Mr. McClure, from the committee appointed for that purpose, on yesterday, reported a bill,

No. 274, entitled "A supplement to the act, entitled An act to erect the town of Williamsport, in the county of Lycoming, into a borough "

Mr. Blair, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 19th inst. that item of unfinished business, reported a bill,

No. 275, entitled "An act to erect the town of Alexandria, in the county of Huntingdon, into a borough."

Mr. Brown of Lancaster, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 12th inst. that item of unfinished business, reported a bill,

No. 276, entitled "A further supplement to an act, entitled An act to regulate the fisheries in the river Susquehanna and its branches."

Which bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

The bill No. 189, entitled "An act to perpetuate testimony in certain cases, and for other purposes," was read the third time and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

The bill No. 100, entitled "A supplement to the act, entitled An act limiting the time during which judgments shall be a lien on real estate, and suits may be brought against the sureties of public officers," was read the third time.

When a motion was made by Mr. F. Smith, that the said bill be recommitted to a committee of the whole House, for the purpose of amendment.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Ellis and Mr. Hottenstein, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. Farrell	Mr. Matts
Alter	Harrison	Meredith
Aughinbaugh	Hergesheimer	Rahn
Bell, Leb.	Hetrick	Ramsey
Boyer	Irwin	Rankin
Burden	Knight	F. Smith
Buyers	Lauman	J. R. C. Smith
Cummin	Lawson	J. Stevens
Cunningham	Lehman	Tutwiler
Dorrance	M'Sherry	Walker
Dunlap	Martin	Wolfersberger
Fackenthall		

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NAYS.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Good	Mr. R. Miller
Barber	Haines	Nicholson
Beatty	Hottenstein	Overholzer
Becker	Kennedy	Patterson
G. Bell	Kerr	Pearson
Bell, West.	Krepps	Pennypacker
Bertolet	M'Bride	Ringland
Blair	M'Clure	Scudder
Bonsall	M'Creery	Shannon
Boyd	M'Ewen	Snyder
Brown, Allegh.	M'Reynolds	P. Stephens
Brown, Lan.	Madden	Thomas
Cooper	Mallery	Thompson
Cope	Mathews, Cam.	Whitlatch
Denny	Matheys, Mont.	Wilson
Dillinger	Mathewson	Wise
Ellis	G. Miller	Wolford
Evans	H. Miller	Ritner, Sp'r.
W. B. Foster	J. Miller	

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So the question was determined in the negative.

And on the question,
Shall the bill pass?

It was determined in the affirmative. And

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

The bill No. 147, entitled "An act to encourage the destruction of foxes and wild cats," was read the third time and passed.

And

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

On leave given,

Mr. Wise, from the committee appointed to inquire into the official conduct of judge Chapman, made a report, (No. 160,) accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That the committee be discharged from any further consideration of the subject.

Laid on the table.

Adjourned until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

THURSDAY, January 25, 1827.

The Speaker laid before the House a memorial from Alexander Wright, of Mercer county, complaining of certain decisions of the supreme court, and praying for legislative interference.

Mr. Pearson presented a document relative to the extension of the bounds of the district of Spring Garden.

Mr. Farrell presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Westmoreland county, against increasing the public debt for the purpose of making the Pennsylvania canal.

Mr. Mathewson presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Bradford county, praying that the jurisdiction of justices of the peace may be extended to cases of assault and battery and petit larceny.

Mr. Ellis presented three remonstrances, of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of Lycoming county, against an inquiry into the official conduct of judge Chapman.

Mr. Scudder presented a remonstrance of like import with the foregoing, from sundry inhabitants of Northumberland county.

Mr. M'Reynolds presented a remonstrance of like import with the foregoing, from sundry inhabitants of Columbia county.

Mr. Bell of Lebanon presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Lebanon county, praying for an annual session of the supreme court at Harrisburg.

Mr. Shannon presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Beaver and Allegheny counties, praying for a review of the state road from Beaver to Pittsburg, and also that the money due to the commonwealth for out-lots at the town of Beaver, may be appropriated in aid of improving the said road.

And the said petitions, remonstrances, memorial and document, were

Laid on the table.

Mr. Walker presented the petition of John Taylor, of Franklin county, accompanied with documents, stating his services in the revolutionary war, and praying relief.

Mr. Scudder presented the petition of George Hoffman, of the state of Maryland, accompanied with documents, praying compensation for services rendered in the revolutionary war.

Mr. Agnew presented the petition of John Light, of Lancaster county, accompanied with documents, praying compensation for a tract of donation land, for his services in the revolutionary war.

Mr. Cunningham presented the petition of Philip Isenhour, of Mercer county, stating his services in the revolutionary war, and praying relief.

And the said petitions and documents were referred to the committee on claims.

Mr. Mathewson presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Bradford county, praying for an appropriation in aid of improving the road through the narrows between Towanda and Overton's.

Which was referred to Messrs. Mathewson, Matheys of Montgomery and Beatty.

Mr. Blair presented a petition from sundry stockholders of the Huntingdon, Cambria and Indiana turnpike road, praying for certain alterations in the law relative to turnpike road and bridge companies, in which the state holds stock.

Which was referred to Messrs. Blair, Kerr and Alter.

Mr. Blair presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Centre and Huntingdon counties, praying for an appropriation in aid of making the turnpike road from Potter's old fort to the Juniata turnpike road.

Which was referred to Messrs. Blair, G. Bell and Patterson.

Mr. Wilson presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Huntingdon county, praying for the repeal of the law authorising the laying out a state road from A. Ennis', in Huntingdon county, to Landisburg.

Which was referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

On motion of Mr. J. R. C. Smith,

Ordered, That the petition of John Dowers, presented on the 23d inst. be referred to Messrs. J. R. C. Smith, Haines, M'Clure, Scudder, Krepps, Becker and Atkinson.

A motion was made by Mr J. R. C. Smith, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That the Auditor General be requested to procure from the registers of wills of the respective counties, a statement of the sums which have been received by the county treasurers, under the act relating to collateral inheritances, and of the probable amount that may be received from the estates which have passed subject to the provisions of said act, up to 1st February, 1827, and to communicate the same to this House.

Laid on the table.

A motion was made by Mr. Ringland, and read as follows, viz.

Whereas, a well organised and well disciplined militia is the strongest bulwark of a republican people, and admitting that a standing army may be necessary in time of war, it is nevertheless to the armed yeomanry of the nation we are to look for the protection of our rights; but while each state is left to regulate her own militia, no uniformity in organization, tactics or discipline can be expected, and while some states incur considerable expense in training their militia, in other states, on which the public safety equally depends, the militia are entirely neglected. Therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the commonwealth of Pennsylvania, in General Assembly met, That our senators in Congress be instructed, and our representatives requested, to use their utmost exertions for the passage of a general militia law, embracing an uniform system of organization, tactics, training and discipline, for the militia of the United States, and to give such encouragement to uniform volunteer corps, as may best promote the public good.

Resolved by the authority aforesaid, That the Governor be requested to forward a copy of the foregoing to each of our senators and representatives in Congress.

Laid on the table.

Mr. Haines obtained leave of absence for a few days from Monday next.

Mr. Madden obtained leave of absence for a few days.

Mr. Thompson obtained leave to withdraw the petition and documents of William Stapleton.

Mr. Rahn, from the committee of accounts, made a report, (No. 161,) relative to the accounts of the Clerk of this House, accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That the Speaker draw his warrant on the State Treasurer, in favor of Francis R. Shunk, Clerk of this House, for 1488 dollars, 73½ cents, the amount of the above account. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

Mr. Rahn, from the committee of accounts, made a report, (No. 162,) relative to the accounts of witnesses in the case of judge Franks, accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That the Speaker draw his warrants on the State Treasurer, for the sums set opposite to the names of the aforesaid persons respectively. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

Mr. McCreery, from the committee on claims, made a report, (No. 163,) relative to the claim of John Anderson, accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That the committee be discharged from any further consideration of the subject, and that the petitioner have leave to withdraw his petition and documents. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

Mr. M'Creery, from the committee on claims, made a report, (No. 164,) relative to the claim of James Chambers, accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That the committee be discharged from any further consideration of the subject. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

Mr. M'Creery, from the committee on claims, made a report, (No. 165,) relative to the claim of William M'Crum, accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That the committee be discharged from any further consideration of the subject, and that the petitioner have leave to withdraw his petition and documents. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time.

And being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Ramsey, to amend the same by striking therefrom these words, "from any further consideration of the subject, and that the petitioner have leave to withdraw his petition and documents," and inserting in lieu thereof these words, "instructed to bring in a bill granting to William M'Crum, of Bucks county, or to his order, forty dollars as a gratuity."

Which was agreed to.

And the resolution as amended was adopted.

Mr. M'Creery, from the committee on claims, reported a bill, No. 278, entitled "An act for the relief of Samuel Graff and Samuel Lockhart, revolutionary soldiers."

Mr. M'Reynolds, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 23d inst. a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 279, entitled "An act to annul the marriage of Charles Wattles, and Alida his wife."

Which bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Wise,

The resolution attached to the report of the committee appointed to inquire into the official conduct of judge Chapman, read on yesterday, was read the second time, considered and adopted.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, presented for concurrence the bill No. 280, entitled "An act incorporating the theological seminary of the general synod of the Evangelical Lutheran church of the United States."

Which bill was read, and

Laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Duncan,

The amendments by the Senate to the bill No. 66, entitled "A supplement to an act, entitled An act to provide for the education of children at the public expense, within the city and county of Philadelphia, passed the 3d day of March, 1818," were read the second time

When a motion was made by Mr. Burden, to amend the new section 2, by adding thereto the following proviso, viz

Provided, That the present number of controllers of the public schools shall neither be increased nor diminished by this act."

And on the question,

Will the House agree so to amend the amendment?

A motion was made by Mr. Knight, to postpone the question, together with the amendments and bill, indefinitely.

Which was disagreed to.

And the proviso was agreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Duncan, further to amend the new section 2, by adding thereto the following proviso, viz.

And provided further, that it shall be lawful for the select and common councils, at any time before the first day of March next, to proceed to complete the number of directors for the first section of the first school district, as provided for in the first section of this act, by electing twelve directors in addition to the twenty-four already elected under the existing laws, which twelve directors shall be considered in all respects subject to the same directions as other directors, and shall hold the office for the same period as if they had been elected at the same time with the twenty-four directors chosen in the month of January, 1827.

And on the question,

Will the House agree so to amend?

It was determined in the affirmative.

And the new section 2 as amended was concurred in.

The new section 3 being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Burden, to amend the same by striking from the 2d line, "judges of the court of quarter sessions, for the county of Philadelphia," and inserting in lieu thereof, "board of commissioners of the township of Moyamensing."

Which was agreed to.

And the section as amended was concurred in. And

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate, and request their concurrence in the amendments by this House to the amendments by the Senate.

The bill from the Senate, No. 212, entitled "An act to authorise the printing and distribution of an additional number of the pamphlet laws," was read the second time.

And the first section was considered and agreed to.

The second section being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Rahn, to amend the same by inserting in the 3d line, after "annually," these words, "after the first day of January, one thousand eight hundred and twenty-eight."

Which was agreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Thompson, further to amend the section by striking therefrom "to the editor of each public newspaper."

Which was agreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Lawson, to postpone the further consideration of the section, together with the bill, until to-morrow.

Which was disagreed to.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the second section as amended?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Rahn and Mr. Bertolet, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. Farrell	Mr. J. R. C. Smith
Aughinbaugh	Hergesheimer	Snyder
G. Bell	Knight	Thomas
Bell Leb.*	Lawson	Walker
Blair	Lehman	Wilson
Burden	M'Ewen	Wise
Denny	Meredith	Woolverton
Duncan	Pearson	Ritner, Sp'r.
Ellis		

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NAYS.

Mr. Alter	Mr. W. B. Foster	Mr. G. Miller
Atkinson	Good	H. Miller
Barber	Haines	J. Miller
Beatty	Harrison	R. Miller
Bell, West.	Hetrick	Nicholson
Bertolet	Hottenstein	Overholzer
Bonsall	Irwin	Patterson
Boyd	Kennedy	Pennypacker
Boyer	Kerr	Rahn
Brown, Allegh.	Krepps	Ramsey
Brown, Lan.	Lauman	Rankin
Buyers	M'Bride	Ringland
Cooper	M'Clure	Scudder
Cope	M'Creery	Shannon
Cummin	M'Reynolds	F. Smith
Cunningham	M'Sherry	P. Stephens
Dillinger	Mallery	J. Stevens
Dorrance	Martin	Thompson
Dunlap	Mathews, Cam.	Tutwiler
Evans	Matheys, Mont.	Whitlatch
Fackenthall	Mathewson	Woltersberger
W. Forster	Matts	Wolford

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So the question was determined in the negative.

The 3d section was considered and agreed to.

The 4th section being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Lawson, to amend the same by striking from the 6th line "distributed," and inserting in lieu thereof "transmitted to the prothonotaries of the several counties of this commonwealth for distribution."

Which was agreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. M'Creery, further to amend the section by striking from the 3d and 4th lines these words, "and the laws relating to the poor," and by striking from the 8th line, "overseers of the poor."

Which was agreed to.

And the section as amended was agreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Lawson, to amend the bill by adding thereto the following new section, viz.

"And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the expenses to be incurred by the provisions of this act, shall be paid on warrants to be drawn by the Governor on the State Treasurer in the usual manner."

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the new section?

It was determined in the affirmative.

The title was considered and agreed to. And

Ordered, That the bill be prepared for the third reading.

Agreeably to the order of the day,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Brown of Allegheny in the chair, on the bill No. 221, entitled "An act authorising the removal of the seat of government to the city of Philadelphia."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

And on the question,

Shall the committee of the whole have leave to sit again?

A motion was made by Mr. J. Miller, to postpone the question, together with the bill, indefinitely.

When,

On motion,

The House adjourned until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

FRIDAY, January 26, 1827.

Mr. Krepps presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Fayette and Washington counties, praying that the courts of quarter sessions may be authorised to regulate ferriages in the said counties.

Which was referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

Mr. M'Bride presented the petition of Ann Salmon, of Columbia county, accompanied with documents, stating the services of her late husband, Joseph Salmon, in the revolutionary war, and praying relief.

Which were referred to the committee on claims.

Mr. Dunlap presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Cumberland county, praying for an appropriation in aid of the erection of a bridge over the Conedoguin creek.

Mr. G. Bell presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Centre and Clearfield counties, praying for an annual session of the supreme court at Harrisburg.

Mr. Kennedy presented four petitions, of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of Northampton county, praying for a division of the said county.

Mr. Dillinger presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Northampton county, praying that a state road may be laid out from Kutztown to Mauch Chunk.

Mr. Overholzer presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Lancaster and Berks counties, praying for an appropriation in aid of improving the state road from Lancaster to Reading.

Mr. Scudder presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Northumberland county, praying for an appropriation in aid of improving the state road from Sunbury to Rodgers' ferry.

Mr. J. Stevens presented three petitions, of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of Montgomery and Berks counties, praying that a state road may be laid out from Pottstown to Trexler's store.

Mr. Whitlatch presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Greene and Washington counties, praying that a state road may be laid out from Waynesburg, in Greene county, to Washington, in Washington county.

Mr. Whitlatch presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Greene and Washington counties, praying that the state road from Waynesburg to Washington may be confirmed.

And the said petitions were

Laid on the table.

Mr. G. Bell presented the petition of John Hasson, Inspector 2d Brigade, 10th division, Pennsylvania militia, praying compensation for certain services therein mentioned.

Which was referred to the committee on the militia system.

Mr. Overholzer presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Lancaster county, praying for the repeal of the act relative to collateral inheritances.

Which was referred to the committee of ways and means

Mr. Whitlatch presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Greene and Washington counties, praying that a state road may be laid out from Zephaniah Beall's lane, in Washington county, to Little Whitely creek.

Which was referred to the members from the said counties.

Mr. Barber obtained leave of absence for a few days.

Mr. Bertolet obtained leave of absence for a few days from Monday next.

Mr. Walker, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 15th inst. that item of unfinished business, reported a bill,

No. 281, entitled "An act to raise, by way of lottery, three thousand five hundred dollars, for the purpose of improving and keeping in repair the Chambersburg and Bedford turnpike road and for other purposes."

Which bill was read, and

Laid on the table.

Mr. Mathews of Cambria, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 24th inst. a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 282, entitled "A supplement to an act, entitled An act for the sale of vacant lands within this commonwealth."

Which bill was read, and made the order of the day for the 1st Monday of February next

Mr. G. Bell, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 24th inst. that item of unfinished business, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 283, entitled "An act granting a sum of money to aid in the erection of a bridge over Anderson's creek, where the Indiana and Kittanning state road crosses the same."

Mr. W. B. Foster, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 19 inst. a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 284, entitled "An act further supplementary to the act, entitled An act to provide for the erection of a state penitentiary on the public land, adjoining the town of Allegheny, opposite Pittsburg, in the county of Allegheny, and for other purposes."

Which bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

The bill from the Senate No. 212, entitled "An act to authorise the printing and distribution of an additional number of pamphlet laws," was read the third time, and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate, and request their concurrence in the amendments thereto by this House

The House resumed the consideration of the bill No. 221, entitled "An act authorising the removal of the seat of government to the city of Philadelphia."

And the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the indefinite postponement?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Ellis and Mr. Hottenstein, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Alter	Mr. Hottenstein	Mr. Nicholson
Atkinson	Irwin	Overholzer
Beatty	Kerr	Patterson
G. Bell	Krepps	Rankin
Bell, Leb.	Lauman	Ringland
Bell, West.	M'Bride	Scudder
Brown, Allegh.	M'Clure	Shannon
Cummin	M'Creery	F. Smith
Denny	M'Reynolds	Tutwiler
Dillinger	M'Sherry	Walker
Dorrance	Mallery	Whitlatch
Dunlap	Mathews, Cam.	Wilson
Ellis	Mathewson	Wolfersberger
Farrell	G. Miller	Wolford
W. Forster	H. Miller	Ritner, Sp'r.
W. B. Foster	J. Miller	

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NAYS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. Evans	Mr. Matheys, Mont.
Aughinbaugh	Fackenthall	Matts
Blair	Good	Meredith
Bonsall	Harrison	R. Miller
Boyd	Hergesheimer	Pearson
Boyer	Hetrick	Pennypacker
Brown, Lan.	Kennedy	Ramsey
Burden	Knight	J. R. C. Smith
Buyers	Lawson	J. Stevens
Cooper	Lehman	Thompson
Cope	M'Ewen	Wise
Cunningham	Martin	Woolverton
Duncan		

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So the question was determined in the affirmative.

On motion of Mr. J. R. C. Smith, the resolution relative to collateral inheritances, read on yesterday, was read the second time considered and adopted.

Agreeably to leave given,

The House again resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Rankin in the chair, on the bill No. 23, entitled "An act to prevent fraud in the sale of manufactured tobacco."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Leave was granted. And

Ordered, That the committee of the whole sit again on to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. Irwin,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Kennedy in the chair on the bill from the Senate, No. 242, entitled "An act abolishing the middle, southern and Lancaster districts of the supreme court, and establishing one at Harrisburg."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Leave was granted. And

Ordered, That the committee of the whole sit again on to-morrow.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, returned the bill No. 143, entitled "A supplement to an act, entitled "An act for establishing a health office, and to secure the city and port of Philadelphia from the introduction of pestilential and contagious diseases, and for other purposes."

And gave information,

That the Senate have passed said bill with amendments, in which the concurrence of the House of Representatives is requested.

The amendments by the Senate to the said bill were read, considered and concurred in. And

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate of the same.

Adjourned until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.



SATURDAY, January 27, 1827.

Mr. Knight presented a memorial from the directors of the 5th, 6th, 7th and 8th sections of the first school district of Pennsylvania, praying that they may be authorised to elect a separate board of controllers for the said sections.

Which was referred to Messrs. Knight, F. Smith and J. Miller.

Mr. Burden presented a remonstrance from the commissioners of the township of Moyamensing, in Philadelphia county, against exempting the burial ground of James Ronaldson from taxation.

Which was referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

Mr. Thomas presented a petition from the commissioners and auditors of Luzerne county, praying that the time for the meeting of the said auditors may be changed.

Which was referred to Messrs. Thomas, Cope and W. Foster.

Mr. J. Miller, presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Perry county, praying that provision may be made by law for the payment, out of the contingent funds, of surveyors and chain carriers employed in laying out county roads.

Which was referred to Messrs. J. Miller, Kerr, Blair, Cooper and Boyer.

Mr. Ellis presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Northumberland county, praying that a state road may be laid out from Northumberland to Jersey Shore.

Which was referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

Mr. Blair presented five petitions, of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of Huntingdon and Centre counties, praying for an appropriation in aid of making the turnpike road from Potter's old fort to the Juniata turnpike road.

Which were referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

Mr. Overholzer presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Lancaster county, praying for the passage of a law to tax dogs in the said county.

Which was referred to the members from the said county.

Mr. Overholzer presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Lancaster county, against the repeal of the act relative to collateral inheritances.

Which was referred to the committee of ways and means.

Mr. Dillinger presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Northampton county, praying that a state road may be laid out from Kutztown to Mauch Chunk. Which was

Laid on the table.

Mr. Overholzer and Mr. Buyers obtained leave of absence for a few days.

Mr. Dillinger, from the committee appointed to compare bills and present them to the Governor for his approbation, made report, which was read as follows, viz.

That in conjunction with a similar committee from the Senate, they have compared and on this day presented to the Governor for his approbation, the bills entitled as follow, to wit:

An act to improve a certain road crossing the Lehigh hills opposite to the village of Bethlehem, in Northampton county.

A supplement to an act, entitled An act for establishing a health office, and to secure the city and port of Philadelphia, from the

introduction of pestilential and contagious diseases, and for other purposes."

Laid on the table.

Mr M'Creery, from the committee on claims, made a report (No. 166,) relative to the claim of Philip Isenhour, accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That the committee be discharged from any further consideration of the subject. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, and being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Cunningham, to postpone the further consideration of the same for the present.

Which was disagreed to.

And the resolution was adopted.

Mr. M'Creery, from the committee on claims, reported a bill, No. 285, entitled "An act for the relief of George Hoffman, a revolutionary soldier."

Mr. Lawson, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 20th ultimo, a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 286, entitled "An act for the relief of John Carney, late a supervisor in Wheatfield township, in the county of Indiana."

Mr. Woolverton, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 10th inst. a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 287, entitled "An act relating to the poor of the borough of Erie, and certain townships in the county of Erie."

Mr. Scudder from the committee to whom was referred, on the 5th inst. a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 288, entitled "An act authorising the heirs and legal representatives of George Frey, late of Dauphin county, deceased, to enter and take possession as tenants in common of the real estate of the said deceased."

Mr. Irwin, from the committee to whom were referred, sundry petitions on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 289, entitled "An act establishing the rates of ferriage on the Monongahela, near Brownsville."

Mr. Mallery, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 11th inst. a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 290, entitled "An act to authorise the trustees of Athens township, in Bradford county, to convey certain lands."

Mr. Mallery, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 11th inst. a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 291, entitled "An act authorising Joseph S. Menaide and others, to obtain a discharge of the lien of the Commonwealth upon certain lands in Bradford county."

Which bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Brown of Allegheny, the resolution attached to the report of the committee on the judiciary system, read on the 20th inst. relative to increasing the salaries of the associate judges of Allegheny county, was read the second time, and being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Brown of Allegheny, to amend the same by striking therefrom these words "discharged from any further consideration of the subject," and inserting in lieu these words, "directed to bring in a bill to increase the salaries of the associate judges of Allegheny county."

Which was agreed to.

And the resolution as amended was adopted.

Agreeably to leave given,

The House again resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Burden in the chair, on the bill No. 95, entitled "A supplement to the several acts of Assembly directing the mode of selling unseated lands for taxes."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Leave was granted. And

Ordered. That the committee of the whole sit again on Monday the 29th instant.

Agreeably to leave given,

The House again resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. M'Sherry in the chair, on the bill No. 140, entitled "A supplement to an act, entitled An act to regulate arbitrations and proceedings in courts of justice."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill negatived.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the report of the committee of the whole?

A motion was made by Mr. Meredith to postpone the question, together with the bill, for the present.

Which was agreed to.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, gave information that the Senate have concurred in the amendments by the House of Representatives to the bill No. 212, entitled "An act to authorise the printing and distribution of an additional number of the pamphlet laws."

Adjourned until 10 o'clock on Monday morning next.

MONDAY, January 29, 1827.

The Speaker laid before the House a letter No. 167, from the president of the Germantown and Perkiomen turnpike road company, accompanied with an abstract of the affairs of the said company.

Which were read, and

Laid on the table.

The Secretary of the Commonwealth being introduced, presented a message from the Governor, which was read as follows, viz.

To the Senate and House of Representatives of the commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

GENTLEMEN,

I have this day approved and signed the following acts of the General Assembly, and directed the Secretary of the Commonwealth to return them to the House of Representatives, in which they originated, viz.

An act to improve a certain public road crossing the Lehigh hills, opposite the village of Bethlehem, in Northampton county.

A supplement to an act, entitled An act for establishing a health office, and to secure the city and port of Philadelphia from the introduction of pestilential and contagious diseases, and for other purposes.

J. ANDW. SHULZE.

Harrisburg, January 29, 1827.

Laid on the table.

Mr. Meredith presented the petition of John Nicholas, of the city of Philadelphia, accompanied with documents, stating his services in the revolutionary war, and praying relief.

Mr. Harrison presented the petition of Abraham Johnson, of Bucks county, accompanied with documents, stating his services in the revolutionary war, and praying relief.

Mr. Brown of Allegheny presented the petition of Jacob Ricker, of Allegheny county, accompanied with documents, stating his services in the revolutionary war, and praying relief.

Mr. Petrikin presented the petition of Peter Fleck, of Centre county, accompanied with documents, stating his services in the revolutionary war, and praying relief.

Mr. Petrikin presented the petition of Henry Herring, of Centre county, accompanied with a document, stating his services in the revolutionary war, and praying relief.

And the said petitions and documents were referred to the committee on claims.

Mr. J. Miller presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Perry county, praying that a state road may be laid out from the

west end of the Harrisburg bridge to Jacob Seidle's mill, in Perry county.

Which was referred to the members from Cumberland and Perry counties.

Mr. Krepps presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Fayette county, praying that the state road from Uniontown to Pittsburg may be confirmed, and also for an appropriation in aid of opening the said road.

Mr. Brown of Allegheny presented a petition of like import with the foregoing, from sundry inhabitants of Allegheny county.

Mr. Gebhart presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Somerset county, praying for authority to raise money, by way of lottery, in aid of paying the debts due by certain turnpike road companies.

Mr. Gebhart presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Somerset county, against annexing a part of the said county to Fayette county.

Mr. Patterson presented four petitions, of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of Mifflin county, praying for a division of the said county.

Mr. Irwin presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Fayette county, praying for a review of the state road from Uniontown to Pittsburg.

Mr. Hottenstein presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Berks and Lancaster counties, praying for an appropriation in aid of improving the state road from Reading to Lancaster.

Mr. Ringland presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Washington and Allegheny counties, praying that a state road may be laid out from the Middletown and Wellsburg turnpike road to Ramsey's ford, in Allegheny county.

And the said petitions and remonstrance were
Laid on the table.

Mr. Alter presented a petition from the chief burgess and town council of the borough of Carlisle, in Cumberland county, praying for certain alterations in their act of incorporation.

Which was referred to Messrs. Alter, M'Sherry and G. Miller.

Mr. Atkinson presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Venango township, Crawford county, praying that the place of holding their general elections may be changed to the house of Joel Hotchkiss.

Which was referred to the committee on election districts.

Mr. Irwin presented the petition of Robert Wilkinson, of Fayette county, praying for authority to dispose of certain real estate, by way of lottery.

Which was referred to Messrs. Irwin, Harrison and Hetrick.

Mr. Petrikin presented two petitions, of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of Centre and Huntingdon counties, praying for

an appropriation in aid of making the turnpike road from Potter's old fort, to the Juniata turnpike road.

Which were referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

A motion was made by Mr. Ringland, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That the committee on the judiciary system be instructed to inquire into the expediency of passing a law, providing that the bail authorised to be taken by justices of the peace, to entitle defendants to a stay of execution, shall, in all cases, be bound for the payment of the money. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

A motion was made by Mr. G. Bell, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That the committee on the judiciary system be instructed to bring in a bill to repeal the 2d section of the supplement to an act for holding special courts of common pleas, passed the 23d of March, 1818, so far as it respects the county of Clearfield. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

A motion was made by Mr. Shannon, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to inquire into the expediency of amending the 4th section of the act for laying out, making and keeping in repair, the public roads and highways within this commonwealth, and for laying out private roads, passed 6th April, 1802, so that the supervisor or supervisors of any road or highway may be entitled to a hearing or revision of the settlement of his or their account, by the freeholders elected for that purpose, after complaint, and warrant issued by any justice of the peace on such complaint.

And on motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted. And

Ordered, That Messrs. Shannon, Lawson, Irwin, Ringland and Blair be a committee for the purpose therein expressed.

Mr. Kennedy and Mr. Dillinger obtained leave of absence for a few days.

Mr. F. Smith obtained leave to withdraw the petition and documents of Henry Harmani.

Mr. P. Stephens obtained leave to withdraw the remonstrance of Richard Caton and Obadiah Spalding.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, presented for concurrence the bill,

No. 292, entitled "An act for the relief of James Murphy a soldier of the resolution.

Which bill was read and

Laid on the table.

Mr. Knight, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 27th instant, a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill.

No. 293, entitled A supplement to the act, entitled "An act to provide for the education of children at the public expense within the city and county of Philadelphia."

Mr. Wise, from the committee to whom were referred sundry petitions on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 294, entitled A further supplement to an act, entitled "An act authorising the Governor to incorporate four companies for making an artificial road, from the town of Washington, in this state, to intersect the Harrisburg and Pittsburg turnpike road, at or near the town of Bedford.

Which bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

The House resumed the consideration of the resolution attached to the report of the committee on the judiciary system, postponed on the 22d inst. relative to extending the jurisdiction of justices of the peace in cases of assault and battery.

And the amendment recurring,

A motion was made by Mr. F. Smith, to amend the same by striking therefrom "the committee on the judiciary system be instructed," and inserting in lieu thereof "a select committee be appointed with instructions".

And on the question,

Will the House agree so to amend?

A motion was made by Mr. Wise, to postpone the question, together with the resolution, indefinitely.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the indefinite postponement?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Farrel and Mr. Wise, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Beatty	Mr. Knight	Mr. Patterson
Blair	Lauman	Pearson
Bonsall	Lehman	Pennypacker
Brown, Lan.	M'Clure	Petrikín
Brown, Allegh.	M'Creery	Ramsey
Burden	M'Ewen	Shannon
Dorrance	M'Reynolds	F. Smith
Duncan	M'Sherry	J. R. C. Smith
Ellis	Mallery	Snyder
Fackenthall	Matts	P. Stephens
W. Forster	Meredith	Thompson
W. B. Foster	J. Miller	Wilson
Harrison	R. Miller	Wise
Irwin	Nicholson	Woolverton 42

NAYS.

Mr. Agnew

Alter

Atkinson

Aughinbaugh

G. Bell

Bell, Leb.

Boyer

Cooper

Cope

Cummin

Dunlap

Evans

Mr. Farrell

Gebhart

Hetrick

Hottenstein

James

Kerr

Lawson

M'Bride

Martin

Mathews, Cam.

Matheys, Mont.

Mathewson

Mr. G. Miller

Rankin

Ringland

Scudder

J. Stevens

Tutwiler

Walker

Whitlatch

Woltersberger

Wolford

Ritner, Sp'r.

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So the question was determined in the affirmative.

On leave given,

A motion was made by Mr. Ellis, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That a select committee be appointed to inquire into the expediency of providing by law for the establishment of circuits for the several districts of the courts of common pleas in this commonwealth, so that the president judges of the courts of common pleas within the limits of such circuits, may interchange with each other, in a manner to be regulated by law, in the discharge of their duties as president judges of the courts of common pleas within such circuits.

And on motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted. And

Ordered, That Messrs. Ellis, Irwin, Wise, Mallery, J. Miller, M'Sherry and Cunningham, be a committee for the purpose therein expressed.

Agreeably to leave given,

The House again resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Rankin in the chair, on the bill No. 23, entitled "An act to prevent fraud in the sale of manufactured tobacco."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with amendments.

Agreeably to leave given,

The House again resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. M'Bride in the chair, on the bill from the Senate No. 242, entitled "An act abolishing the middle, southern and Lancaster districts of the supreme court, and establishing one at Harrisburg."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

When a motion was made by Mr. Meredith, that the committee of the whole be discharged from the further consideration of the

said bill, and that the same be committed to the committee on the judiciary system. When

On motion,

The House adjourned until 3 o'clock this afternoon.

SAME DAY.

The House resumed the consideration of the bill from the Senate, No. 242, entitled "An act abolishing the middle, southern and Lancaster districts of the supreme court, and establishing one at Harrisburg."

And the motion to wit: That the committee of the whole be discharged from the further consideration of the said bill and that the same be committed to the committee on the judiciary system, recurring.

A motion was made by Mr. F. Smith to amend the same by striking therefrom these words, "and that the same be committed to the committee on the judiciary system."

Which was disagreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Meredith to amend the motion by striking therefrom, "on the judiciary system" and inserting in lieu thereof "a select committee."

Which was agreed to.

And the motion as amended was agreed to.

When a motion was made by Mr. Scudder, that the members residing in the southern, middle and Lancaster districts of the supreme court be of the committee.

And on the question will the house agree to the motion.

The Yeas and Nays were required by Mr. Irwin and Mr. Scudder, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. W. Forster	Mr. H. Miller
Aughinbaugh	Gebhart	Nicholson
Beatty	Hetrick	Patterson
G. Bell	Hottenstein	Pearson
Bell, West.	James	Petrikín
Boyer	Krepps	Rankin
Brown, Allegh.	Lawson	Scudder
Brown, Lan.	M'Bride	F. Smith
Burden	M'Clure	Snyder
Cooper	M'Reynolds	P. Stephens
Cope	Mallery	J. Stevens
Cummin	Mathews, Cam.	Tutwiler
Denny	Matheys, Mont.	Walker
Ellis	Mathewson	Whitlatch
Evans	Matts	Wise
Fackenthal	G. Miller	Wolford
Farrell		

NAYS.

Mr. Alter	Mr. Hergesheimer	Mr. R. Miller
Atkinson	Irwin	Pennypacker
Bell Leb.	Kerr	Ramsey
Blair	Knight	Ringland
Bonsall	Lauman	Shannon
Boyd	Lehman	J. R. C. Smith
Cunningham	M'Creery	Thompson
Dorrance	M'Ewen	Wilson
Duncan	M'Sherry	Wolfsberger
Dunlap	Martin	Woolverton
Good	Meredith	Ritner, <i>Sp'r.</i>
Harrison	J. Miller	

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So the question was determined in the affirmative.

On motion of Mr. Cummin,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Farrell in the chair, on the bill No. 42, entitled, "An act erecting all that part of Mifflin county, south and east of the Black Log and Shade mountains, into a separate county, to be called Juniata."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with amendments.

Adjourned until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

*TUESDAY, January 30, 1827.*

Mr. Petrikin presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Lycoming and Columbia counties, praying that a state road may be laid out from Pennsborough to Berwick.

Mr. M'Creery, presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Washington and Allegheny counties, praying that a state road may be laid out from Ramsey's ford, in Allegheny county, to the Virginia state line, in a direction to Wheeling.

Mr. Gebhart presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Somerset county, praying for the passage of a law to regulate ferriages on the Monongahela river at Brownsville.

Mr. Mathews of Cambria presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Somerset county, praying for authority to raise mo-

ney, by way of lottery, in aid of paying the debts due by certain turnpike road companies.

And the said petitions were

Laid on the table.

Mr Denny presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Allegheny county, praying that the fees of constables in certain cases, may be increased.

Which was referred to Messrs. Denny, Knight and Cope.

Mr. M'Bride presented a document relative to the claim of Ann Solomon.

Which was referred to the committee on claims.

Mr. Madden presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Union county, praying for an appropriation in aid of the erection of a bridge over Middle creek, in the said county.

Which was referred to Messrs. Madden, J. Miller and G. Miller.

Mr. Boyer presented the petition of John Fritz, guardian of the minor children of James Sands, late of Montgomery county, deceased, praying for authority to convey certain real estate therein mentioned.

Which was referred to Messrs. Boyer, Mallery and Shannon.

Mr. Knight presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Philadelphia county, against the passage of a law to prevent cattle from running at large.

Which was referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

Mr. Wise gave notice that on to-morrow he would ask leave to bring in a bill, entitled "A further supplement to an act to alter the judiciary system of this commonwealth."

On motion of Mr. F. Smith,

Ordered, That the committee on the judiciary system be discharged from the further consideration of the resolution adopted on the 19th inst. relative to extending the time in which constables are bound to return their executions.

Mr. Bonsall obtained leave of absence for a few days from Thursday next.

Mr. Brown of Lancaster, obtained leave to withdraw the petition and documents of Mary Blattenberger.

Mr. Dorrance obtained leave to withdraw the petitions and documents of Samuel Hopkins.

On motion of Mr. J. R. Smith,

Ordered, That Messrs. Ellis, Petrikin and M'Reynolds, be members of the committee appointed to inquire into the official conduct of the recorder of the mayor's court of Philadelphia.

Mr. F. Smith, from the committee on the judiciary system, reported a bill,

No. 295, entitled "An act relative to the compensation of the associate judges of Allegheny county."

Mr. Mathewson from the committee to whom was referred, on the 25th inst. a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 296, entitled "An act granting a sum of money to aid in the improving the narrows between Towanda and Overton's, in Bradford county."

Which bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, presented for concurrence the bill No. 297, entitled "A supplement to the act, entitled An act to authorise the Governor to incorporate a company to make a lock navigation on the east branch of the river Schuylkill, called the Little Schuylkill."

Which bill was read, and

Laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Ringland,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Becker in the chair, on the resolution No. 277, relative to the organization and discipline of the militia of the United States."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the resolution without amendment. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time,

And being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Boyd, to postpone the further consideration of the same for the present.

Which was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. F. Smith, the resolution attached to the report of the committee on the judiciary system, read on the 19th inst. relative to suits against county commissioners, was read the second time,

And being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Ellis, to amend the same by striking therefrom these words, "be discharged from any further consideration of the subject," and inserting in lieu thereof these words, "on the judiciary system be instructed to bring in a bill in conformity with the resolution submitted to them."

The amendment being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Cunningham, to amend the same by striking therefrom these words, "in conformity to the resolution submitted to them," and inserting in lieu thereof these words, "authorising the courts of common pleas and district courts to issue writs of *mandamus*, in all cases where the supreme court may now issue them on claims made against commissioners of counties."

Which was disagreed to.

And the amendment was agreed to.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the resolution as amended?

It was determined in the affirmative.

The bill No. 23, entitled "An act to prevent fraud in the sale of manufactured tobacco," was read the second time.

And being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Duncan, to postpone the further consideration of the same for the present.

Which was agreed to.

The bill, No. 42, entitled "An act erecting all that part of Mifflin county, south and east of the Black Log and Shade mountains, into a separate county, to be called Juniata," was read the second time.

And the first section being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Duncan, to amend the same by striking therefrom, "Juniata," and inserting, in lieu thereof, "Jackson."

Which was disagreed to.

And the section was agreed to.

The 2d, 3d, 4th, 5th, 6th, and 7th sections were severally considered and agreed to.

The 8th section being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Cummin, to amend the same by striking from the second line, "of Mifflin, and of the county of Juniata," and inserting in lieu thereof, "Juniata," and by striking from the third line, "jointly elect two representatives," and inserting in lieu thereof, "elect one representative," and by striking from the same line, "county," and inserting in lieu thereof, "and Mifflin counties shall elect."

Which was agreed to.

And the section as amended was agreed to.

The 9th, 10th, 11th, and 12th sections were severally considered and agreed to.

The 13th section being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Cummin, to amend the same, by striking from the fourth line, "first," and inserting in lieu thereof, "fourth."

Which was agreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. J. Miller, further to amend the section by striking from the second line, "ninth," and inserting in lieu thereof, "fourth."

Which was disagreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. J. Miller, further to amend the section, by striking from the second line, "ninth."

Which was disagreed to.

And the section, as amended, was agreed to.

The remaining sections and title were severally considered and agreed to.

And on the question,

Shall the bill be transcribed for the third reading?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Krepps and Mr. Thompson, and are as follow, viz:

Mr. Overholzer presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Lancaster county, praying for the passage of a law to tax dogs in the said county.

Which was referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

Mr. Cooper presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of York county, praying for the repeal of the act relative to collateral inheritances.

Which was referred to the committee of ways and means.

Pursuant to notice,

Mr. Wise asked leave to bring in a bill entitled "A further supplement to an act to alter the judiciary system of this commonwealth."

Which was granted. And

Ordered, That Messrs. Ellis, Irwin, Wise, Mallery, J. Miller, M'Sherry, Cunningham, Cooper and Petrikin, be a committee to prepare and bring in a bill accordingly.

Mr. Burden obtained leave of absence for a few days from tomorrow.

Mr. Walker and Mr. Martin obtained leave of absence for a few days from Saturday next.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, presented for concurrence the bills entitled as follow, viz.

No. 298, "An act authorising the Governor to incorporate the Mahanoy navigation company."

No. 299, "An act to establish an academy in the town of Mifflinsburg, in the county of Union."

Which bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

Mr. M'Creery, from the committee on claims, made a report, (No. 168,) relative to the claim of Stephen Barth, accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That the committee be discharged from any further consideration of the subject.

And on motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

Mr. M'Creery, from the committee on claims, made a report, (No. 169,) relative to the claim of Alexander M'Coy, accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That the committee be discharged from any further consideration of the subject, and that the petitioner have leave to withdraw his petition and documents. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

Mr. M'Creery, from the committee on claims, reported a bill,

No. 300, entitled "An act for the relief of Peter Fleck and Henry Herring soldiers, and Ann Solomon, widow of a revolutionary soldier."

Mr. Irwin, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 29th instant, a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 501, entitled "An act to enable Robert Wilkinson, of Fayette county, to dispose of his property by way of lottery."

Mr. Thomas, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 27th instant, a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 502, entitled "An act to change the time of meeting of the auditors of Luzerne county."

Which bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

The bill No. 42, entitled "An act erecting all that part of Mifflin county, south and east of the Black Log and Shade mountains, into a separate county, to be called Juniata," was read the third time and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Ringland,

The House resumed the second reading of the resolution, No. 277, relative to the organization and discipline of the militia of the United States."

When a motion was made by Mr. Meredith, to postpone the further consideration of the same for the present.

Which was agreed to.

The bill No. 95, entitled "A supplement to the several acts of Assembly, directing the mode of selling unseated lands for taxes," was read the second time.

And the first section being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Meredith, to amend the same by striking therefrom these words "the costs of sale and taxes subsequently paid, with interest from the time of the respective payments."

Which was disagreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Cunningham, to amend the section by adding thereto the following proviso, viz.

"*Provided*, That the jury shall not take into view the taxes paid after the purchaser has taken actual possession of the tract of land so recovered."

Which was agreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Meredith, further to amend the section, by striking from the 7th line, "the costs of sale."

Which was agreed to.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the first section?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Meredith and Mr. Boyd, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. W. B. Foster	Mr. Nicholson
Alter	Gebhart	Overholzer
Atkinson	Good	Patterson
Aughinbaugh	Hetrick	Petrikín
Beatty	Irwin	Rankin
Becker	James	Ringland
Bell, Leb.	Kerr	Scudder
Blair	Krepps	Shannon
Boyer	Lauman	F. Smith
Brown, Allegh.	Lawson	J. Stevens
Brown, Lan.	M'Clure	Thomas
Cummin	M'Creery	Tutwiler
Cunningham	M'Reynolds	Walker
Denny	Madden	Whitlatch
Dorrance	Mathews, Cam.	Wise
Dunlap	Mathewson	Wolfsberger
Ellis	G. Miller	Wolford
Fackenthall	H. Miller	Woolverton
Farrell	J. Miller	Ritner, Sp'r.
W. Forster		

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NAIS.

Mr. G. Bell	Mr. Knight	Mr. Pearson
Boyd	Lehman	Pennypacker
Cooper	M'Ewen	Ramsey
Cope	M'Sherry	J. R. C. Smith
Duncan	Martin	Snyder
Evans	Matheys, Mont.	Thompson
Harrison	Matts	Wilson
Hottenstein	Meredith	

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So the question was determined in the affirmative.

The 2d section was considered and agreed to.

The 3d section being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Cunningham to amend the same by adding thereto the following proviso, viz.

Provided, That in cases of such redemption the jury on the trial of any ejectment shall not return the taxes and interest thus paid, under the provisions of the first section of this act.

Which was agreed to.

And the section as amended was agreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Lawson, to amend the bill by adding thereto the following new section, viz.

Section 4. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid*, That it shall not be lawful for the purchaser of any unseated lands hereafter sold for taxes, by virtue of the several acts to which this is a supplement, to enter upon the possession of such lands to cut any timber, or commit any other waste on the same until after the expiration of two years from the time of such sale, and

the fee simple of such lands, during the said two years, shall be deemed and taken to remain in the original owner or owners thereof, as if no such sale for taxes had been made : *Provided*, That where such lands may hereafter be sold for taxes, and the purchaser or purchasers thereof shall, within the said two years, cut any timber on such lands or commit any other waste on the same, to the injury of the inheritance, it shall and may be lawful for the owner or owners thereof, having redeemed the same within the two years aforesaid, to recover damages in an action of trespass against the said purchaser or purchasers, for the injury thus done.

The new section being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Meredith, to amend the same by striking from the proviso, "may hereafter be," and inserting in lieu thereof, "have been heretofore," and by striking therefrom "shall within," and inserting in lieu thereof "has heretofore or shall hereafter within."

And on the question,

Will the House agree so to amend?

It was determined in the affirmative.

On motion,

The House then adjourned until 3 o'clock this afternoon.

SAME DAY.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Pearson in the chair, on the bill No. 13, entitled "An act granting to John Dickson, of the borough of Erie, a certain lot of ground."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with amendments.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Knight in the chair, on the bill No. 14, entitled "An act granting a sum of money for improving the navigation of Tuscarora creek, in Mifflin county."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill negatived.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the report of the committee of the whole?

A motion was made by Mr. Petrikin, to postpone the question, together with the bill, for the present.

Which was agreed to.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Dorrance in the chair, on the bill No. 15, entitled "An act to re-

peal the act, entitled An act relating to the appointment of the treasurer of Bucks county."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Leave was granted. And

Ordered, That the committee of the whole sit again on Wednesday the 21st of February next.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Mathewson in the chair, on the bill No. 16, entitled "An act to improve a certain public road in Union and Centre counties, commonly called the Brush valley narrows."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with amendments.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Bonsall in the chair, on the bill No. 17, entitled "An act granting compensation to the executors of the estate of Thomas Livezey, for tracts of land certified to Connecticut claimants, in the seventeen townships of the county of Luzerne."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Leave was granted. And

Ordered, That the committee of the whole sit again on to-morrow.

Adjourned until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

THURSDAY, February 1, 1827.

The Secretary of the Commonwealth being introduced, presented a message, (No. 170) from the Governor, accompanied with a letter, (No. 171,) from the Governor of Ohio, and a copy, (No. 172) of the law incorporating the Pennsylvania and Ohio canal company.

Which were read,

When a motion was made by Mr. Cunningham, that the same be referred to a select committee.

The motion being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Lehman, to amend the same by striking therefrom "select."

Which was agreed to.

And the motion as amended was agreed to. And

Ordered, That the committee on inland navigation and internal improvement be the committee.

Mr. Pearson presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of the city and county of Philadelphia, praying for the repeal of the law regulating weights and measures.

Mr. Mathews of Cambria presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Somerset county, praying for authority to raise money, by way of lottery, in aid of paying the debts due by certain turnpike road companies.

Mr. Atkinson presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Venango county, praying for the erection of a new county out of parts of Armstrong and Venango counties.

Mr. Bell of Lebanon presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Lebanon county, praying for the incorporation of a bank in the borough of Lebanon.

Mr. Thomas presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Luzerne county, praying for a review of the state road from Wilkesbarre to Jerseytown.

Mr. Gebhart presented a petition from sundry stockholders of the Somerset and Mount Pleasant turnpike road company, praying that the Washington and Williamsport turnpike road company may be compelled to collect the subscriptions due by stockholders and to complete their road.

Mr. Bell of Westmoreland presented a petition of like import with the foregoing, from sundry stockholders of the Robbstown and Mount Pleasant turnpike road company.

And the said petitions were

Laid on the table.

Mr. M'Bride presented sundry documents relative to the claim of James Pratt.

Mr. Binder presented the petition of Dorothea Schaffer, of the county of Philadelphia, accompanied with a document, stating the services of her late husband, Christian Schaffer, in the revolutionary war, and praying relief.

Mr. M'Reynolds presented the petition of Robert Armstrong, of Columbia county, accompanied with documents, stating his services in the revolutionary war, and praying relief.

And the said petitions and documents were referred to the committee on claims.

Mr. Boyd presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of the city of Philadelphia, praying for the passage of a law to prevent the letting of land on perpetual ground rent.

Mr. Shannon presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Beaver county, praying for certain alterations in the hundred dollar law.

And the said petitions were referred to the committee on the judiciary system.

Mr. M'Sherry presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Adams county, praying that the supreme court may hold an annual session at Harrisburg

Which was referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

Mr. Cooper presented four petitions, of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of York county, praying that certain trespasses may be made indictable and punishable as larcenies.

Which were referred to Messrs. Cooper, Haines, Alter, Blair and Good.

Mr. Dunlap presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Cumberland county, praying that a state road may be laid out from the west end of the Harrisburg bridge to Seidle's mill, in Perry county.

Which was referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

Mr. Haines presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Middletown, Edgemont, Thornbury and Providence townships, Delaware county, against the erection of an additional election district out of the said townships

Which was referred to the committee on election districts.

Mr. Brown of Lancaster presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Lancaster county, praying for the repeal of the act relative to collateral inheritances.

Mr. Overholzer presented two petitions, of like import with the foregoing.

And the said petitions were referred to the committee of ways and means.

Mr. M'Reynolds presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Columbia, Northumberland and Lycoming counties, praying for an appropriation in aid of the erection of a bridge across the river Susquehanna at Danville.

Which was referred to Messrs. M'Reynolds M'Clure and M'Ewen.

Mr. Overholzer presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Lancaster county, praying for the passage of a law laying a tax on dogs in the said county.

Which was referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

Mr. Barber presented a petition from sundry members of the Methodist Episcopal church, in the borough of Columbia, in Lancaster county, praying for an act of incorporation.

Which was referred to Messrs. Barber, Knight and Boyer.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, presented for concurrence the bill,

No. 303, entitled "An act concerning weights and measures."

Which bill was read, and made the order of the day for to-morrow.

A motion was made by Mr. M'Creery, and read as follows, viz.

Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, That the Secretary of the Commonwealth be, and he is hereby directed

to make inquiry respecting the telescope belonging to the state, to have the same repaired and deposited in some convenient place in the state capitol, the expense whereof to be paid by warrants drawn in the usual manner.

Laid on the table.

A motion was made by Mr. F. Smith, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That the committee on inland navigation and internal improvement, be instructed to inquire into the propriety, under the facts disclosed to this House, of suspending any further proceedings in the suit now pending, in the Middle district of the supreme court, against the president and managers of the Harrisburg canal, fire insurance and water company.

And on motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, and being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Meredith, to postpone the further consideration of the same for the present.

Which was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Dunlap,

Ordered, That an item of unfinished business, relative to incorporating the Trindell spring congregations, in Cumberland county, be referred to Messrs. Dunlap, Welford and Good.

Mr. Hergesheimer obtained leave of absence for a few days, on account of the indisposition of his family.

Mr. Farrell, from the committee appointed to compare bills and present them to the Governor for his approbation, made report, which was read as follows, viz.

That in conjunction with a similar committee from the Senate, they have compared and on this day presented to the Governor for his approbation, the bill entitled

An act to authorise the printing and distribution of an additional number of the pamphlet laws.

Laid on the table.

Mr. J. R. C. Smith, from the committee appointed to inquire into the official conduct of the recorder of the city of Philadelphia, made a report, (No. 173,) accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That the committee be discharged from any further consideration of the subject, and that the petitioner have leave to withdraw his petition. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time.

And being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Ellis, to postpone the further consideration of the same for the present.

Which was disagreed to.

And the resolution was adopted.

Mr. Denny, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 30th ultimo, a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 305, entitled "An act supplementary to an act to alter and amend the fee bill."

Which bill was read, and made the order of the day for Thursday the 8th instant.

Mr. Boyer, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 30th ultimo, a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 306, entitled "An act authorising John Fritz, guardian of Samuel, James and William Sands, minors under the age of fourteen years, to execute and deliver a deed for a house and lot of land in Pottstown."

Mr. Alter, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 29th ultimo, a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 307, entitled "A supplement to an act, entitled An act to alter an act, entitled An act for erecting the town of Carlisle, in the county of Cumberland, into a borough."

Which bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

A motion was made by Mr. M'Reynolds and Mr. Woolverton, they being in the majority, to reconsider the vote given on the 29th ultimo, on the indefinite postponement of the resolution attached to the report of the committee on the judiciary system, relative to extending the jurisdiction of justices of the peace in cases of assault and battery."

And on the question,

Will the House agree to reconsider the said vote?

A motion was made by Mr. Mathewson, to postpone the question, together with the motion, for the present.

And on the question,

Will the House agree so to postpone?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. W. B. Foster and Mr. Matts, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Agnew

Alter

Atkinson

Aughinbaugh

Becker

G. Bell

Bell, West.

Boyer

Buyers

Cooper

Cope

Dunlap

Mr. Evans

Farrell

Gebhart

Good

Hetrick

Hottenstein

James

Knight

Krepps

Lawson

McBride

M'Reynolds

Mr. Madden

Matheys, Mont.

Mathewson

Rankin

Thomas

Tutwiler

Walker

Whitlatch

Wolfersberger

Wolford

Woolverton

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NAMES.

Mr. Barber	Mr. W. B. Foster	Mr. H. Miller
Beatty	Haines	J. Miller
Bell Leb.	Harrison	R. Miller
Binder	Irwin	Overholzer
Blair	Kerr	Patterson
Bonsall	Lauman	Pearson
Boyd	Lehman	Pennypacker
Brown, Allegh.	M'Clure	Petrikina
Brown, Lan.	M'Creery	Ramsey
Cummin	M'Ewen	Ringland
Cunningham	M'Sherry	F. Smith
Denny	Mallery	J. R. C. Smith
Dorrance	Martin	Snyder
Duncan	Mathews, Cam.	J. Stevens
Ellis	Matts	Thompson
Fackenthall	Meredith	Wilson
W. Forster	G. Miller	Wise

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So the question was determined in the negative.

And the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the reconsideration?

It was determined in the negative.

The House resumed the second reading of the bill No. 95, entitled "A supplement to the several acts of assembly directing the mode of selling unseated lands for taxes."

And the new section recurring,

A motion was made by Mr. Cunningham to amend the same by striking therefrom the following proviso, viz.

"*Provided*, That where such lands have been heretofore sold for taxes, and the purchaser or purchasers thereof has heretofore or shall hereafter, within the said two years, cut any timber on such lands, or commit any other waste on the same, to the injury of the inheritance, it shall and may be lawful for the owner or owners thereof, having redeemed the same within the two years aforesaid, to recover damages in an action of trespass against the said purchaser or purchasers, for the injury thus done."

Which was agreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. M'Creery, further to amend the new section, by striking therefrom these words, "and the fee simple of such lands, during the said two years, shall be deemed and taken to remain in the original owner or owners thereof, as if no such sale for taxes had been made."

Which was agreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Lawson, further to amend the new section by striking therefrom these words, "that it shall not be lawful for the purchaser of any unseated lands hereafter sold for taxes by virtue of the several acts to which this is a supple-

ment, to enter upon the possession of such lands, to cut any timber, or commit any other waste on the same, until after the expiration of two years from the time of such sale," and inserting in lieu thereof these words,

"That from and after the passing of this act, it shall not be lawful for the purchaser or purchasers of any unseated lands sold for taxes, by virtue of the several acts to which this is a supplement, to sell, dispose of, or waste any timber growing on the same, or commit any other waste on such lands, to the injury of the inheritance, until after the expiration of two years from the time of such sale, and it shall be lawful for the former owner or owners thereof, having redeemed the same within the said two years, to recover damages in an action of trespass against any person who may have committed any waste as aforesaid, for the injury thus done, except that the provisions herein contained shall not be construed to prevent or bar the purchaser from the right to enter upon the lands so purchased, for the residence of himself, or of his tenant, for the improvement of the said lands."

The amendment being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Meredith, to amend the same by striking therefrom these words, "except that the provisions herein contained, shall not be construed to prevent or bar the purchaser from the right to enter upon the lands so purchased, for the residence of himself, or of his tenant, for the improvement of the said lands."

Which was disagreed to.

And the amendment was agreed to.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the new section as amended?

It was determined in the affirmative.

A motion was then made by Mr. Cunningham, further to amend the bill by adding thereto the following new section, viz.

Section 5. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That in all cases of redemption as aforesaid, it shall be the duty of the treasurer aforesaid, if requested, to give a certificate of said redemption to the person redeeming the said tract of land, who may deliver the same to the proper prothonotary, who is hereby authorised to enter said certificate in a book in be kept for that purpose, which entry, or a copy of the same, duly certified, may be read in evidence in all trials where the said redemption may be in any manner questioned; and the said prothonotary shall receive fifty cents for entering each certificate as aforesaid, to be paid at or before the entering of the same.

Which was agreed to.

The title was considered and agreed to. And

Ordered, That the bill be transcribed for the third reading.

The bill No. 196, entitled "A supplement to an act, entitled An act to protect the public in the full benefit and enjoyment of the works constructed for the purposes of inland navigation," was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered, To be transcribed for the third reading.

The bill No. 13, entitled "An act granting to John Dickson, of the borough of Erie, a certain lot of ground," was read the second time.

And the first section being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. M'Creery, to amend the same by inserting after "commonwealth," in the 8th line, "the usual office fees and."

Which was agreed to.

And the section as amended was agreed to.

The preamble and title were severally considered and agreed to. And

Ordered, That the bill be transcribed for the third reading.

The bill No. 16, entitled "An act to improve a certain public road in Union and Centre counties, commonly called the Brush Valley Narrows," was read the second time.

And the section was considered and agreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Mathews of Cambria, to amend the bill by adding thereto the following new section, viz.

Section 2. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid*, That the sum of two hundred dollars, with interest, of the notes of the Allegheny bank of Pennsylvania, now in the treasury of this commonwealth, be and the same is hereby appropriated to the improvement of the road leading from the borough of Bedford to the town of Armagh, to be paid to the supervisors, or their orders, of Conemaugh township, in Cambria county, who are hereby authorised and required to expend the same faithfully and judiciously on said road, and their account to be settled by the township freeholders, or auditors, in the usual way.

Which was agreed to.

The title was considered and agreed to, being amended by adding thereto "and to improve the road from Bedford to Armagh." And

Ordered, That the bill be transcribed for the third reading.

Adjourned until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.



FRIDAY, February 2, 1827.

The Secretary of the Commonwealth being introduced, presented a message from the Governor, which was read as follows, viz.

To the Senate and House of Representatives of the commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

GENTLEMEN,

I have this day approved and signed the following act of the General Assembly, and directed the Secretary of the Commonwealth to return the same to the Senate, in which it originated, viz.

An act to authorise the printing and distribution of an additional number of the pamphlet laws.

J. ANDW. SHULZE.

Harrisburg, February 1, 1827.

Laid on the table.

Mr. Woolverton presented the petition of Elizabeth King, of Erie county, praying that the pension granted to her late husband, Robert King, for his services in the revolutionary war, may be continued to her.

Mr. Wolford presented the petition of John P. Cline, of York county, accompanied with documents, praying compensation for a tract of donation land, to which his late father, William Cline, was entitled for his services in revolutionary war.

And the said petitions and documents were referred to the committee on claims.

Mr. Becker presented the petition of Joseph W. Schmidt, of York county, praying for certain alterations in the act authorising the sale of the real estate of Noah Mendenhall, deceased.

Which was referred to Messrs. Becker, Haines and Madden.

Mr. Krepps presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Fayette county, praying that the court of quarter sessions may be authorised to regulate ferrriages in the said county.

Mr. Snyder presented two petitions, of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of Schuylkill county, praying that companies may be incorporated for the purpose of mining and transporting coal.

Mr. Farrell presented three remonstrances, of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of Westmoreland county, against increasing the public debt for the purpose of making the Pennsylvania canal.

Mr. Boyer presented a memorial from sundry inhabitants of Berks and Montgomery counties, remonstrating against the construction of the Pennsylvania canal, and praying for the repeal of the act relative to collateral inheritances.

Mr. M'Bride presented two memorials, of like import with the foregoing, from sundry inhabitants of Columbia county.

And the said petitions, memorials and remonstrances were

Laid on the table.

Mr. Krepps presented the petition of William Arnold, a supervisor of Luzerne township, Fayette county, praying for certain alterations in the laws relative to roads and highways.

Which was referred to the members from the said county.

Mr. Brown of Allegheny presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of the town of Allegheny, in the county of Allegheny, praying that the said town may be erected into a borough.

Which was referred to the members from Allegheny and Butler counties.

Mr. Overholzer presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Lancaster county, praying for the repeal of the act relative to collateral inheritances.

Mr. Buyers presented a petition of like import with the foregoing

Mr. Knight presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Philadelphia county, praying for certain alterations in the law laying a duty on the retailers of foreign merchandize.

And the said petitions were referred to the committee of ways and means.

Mr. J. Miller presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Perry county, praying that further provision, by law, may be made to promote the comfort of the poor.

Which was referred to Messrs. J. Miller, Krepps and M^cCreery.

Mr. Lawson presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Black Lick township, Indiana county, praying for the repeal of the law giving to borough constables the same authority as township constables, so far as respects the borough of Blairsville.

Which was referred to the members from Indiana, Armstrong, Jefferson and Westmoreland counties.

Mr. Evans presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Montgomery county, praying that the courts of this commonwealth may be authorised to accept the resignation of trusts, and to appoint trustees.

Which was referred to the committee on the judiciary system.

Mr. Lawson presented the petition of Richard Wilson, of Indiana county, praying that certain testimony relative to the original plan of the town of Armagh may be confirmed.

Which was referred to Messrs. Lawson, Binder and Wolfersberger.

A motion was made by Mr. Cummin, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That the committee on the judiciary system be instructed to inquire into the expediency of restraining tenants in common, in possession, from committing waste in the same manner that defendants in ejectment or mortgagors in possession or judgment debtors are now restrained.

And on motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

Mr. Pennypacker obtained leave of absence for a few days.

Mr. M^cCreery, from the committee on claims reported a bill,

No. 308, entitled "An act granting compensation to James Pratt for a tract of donation land."

Mr. Thomas, from the committee on the militia system, reported a bill,

No. 309, entitled "An act for the relief of John Hasson, inspector 2nd brigade, 10th division, Pennsylvania militia."

Mr. M'Reynolds, from the committee to whom was, on yesterday, referred a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 310, entitled "A further supplement to the act, entitled, An act to authorise the Governor to incorporate a company for erecting a bridge over the river Susquehanna, at the town of Danville."

Mr. Whitlatch, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 26th ultimo, a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 311, entitled "An act to view and lay out a state road from Zephaniah Beall's, in Washington county, to little Whitely creek, in Greene county."

Mr. Dunlap, from the committee to whom was, on yesterday, referred that item of unfinished business, reported a bill,

No. 312, entitled "An act incorporating the Trindle Spring German reformed Calvinist and German Lutheran congregations of Cumberland county."

Mr. Barber, from the committee to whom was, on yesterday, referred a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 313, entitled "An act to incorporate the Methodist congregation, in the borough of Columbia, in the county of Lancaster."

Mr. Overholzer, from the committee to whom were referred sundry petitions on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 314, entitled "An act laying a tax on dogs, in the county of Lancaster, and for other purposes."

Mr. Wilson, from the committee to whom were referred sundry petitions on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 315, entitled "An act to vacate a certain state road therein mentioned."

Which bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

The bill No. 95, entitled "A supplement to the several acts of Assembly directing the mode of selling unseated lands for taxes," was read the third time.

When a motion was made by Mr. Meredith, that the same be re-committed to a select committee.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

The Yeas and Nays were required by Mr. Meredith and Mr. Hottenstein, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Blair
Boyd
Boyer
Cope
Duncan
Evans
Fackenthall
Good
Haines

Mr. Harrison
Hottenstein
Lehman
M'Bride
M'Ewen
M'Sherry
Madden
Matheys, Mont.
Matts

Mr. Meredith
G. Miller
R. Miller
Pearson
Ramsey
J. R. C. Smith
Snyder
Thompson
Wilson

NAYS.

Mr. Alter	Mr. Farrell	Mr. Nicholson
Atkinson	W. Forster	Overholzer
Aughinbaugh	W. B. Foster	Patterson
Barber	Gebhart	Petrikin
Beatty	Hetrick	Rankin
Becker	Irwin	Ringland
G. Bell	James	Shannon
Bell, Leb.	Knight	F. Smith
Bell, West.	Krepps	J. Stevens
Binder	Lauman	Thomas
Brown, Allegh.	Lawson	Tutwiler
Brown, Lan.	M'Clure	Walker
Buyers	M'Creery	Wise
Cummin	M'Reynolds	Wolfsberger
Cunningham	Mathews, Cam.	Wolford
Dorrance	Mathewson	Woolverton
Dunlap	H. Miller	Ritner, <i>Sp'r.</i>
Ellis		

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So the question was determined in the negative.

And on the question,

Shall the bill pass?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Hottenstein and Mr. Cunningham, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. Dunlap	Mr. Mathewson
Alter	Ellis	H. Miller
Atkinson	Farrell	Nicholson
Aughinbaugh	W. Forster	Patterson
Barber	W. B. Foster	Petrikin
Beatty	Gebhart	Rankin
Becker	Hetrick	Ringland
G. Bell	Irwin	Shannon
Bell, Leb.	James	F. Smith
Bell, West.	Knight	Thomas
Blair	Krepps	Tutwiler
Brown, Allegh.	Lauman	Walker
Brown, Lan.	Lawson	Wise
Buyers	M'Clure	Wolfsberger
Cummin	M'Creery	Wolford
Cunningham	M'Reynolds	Woolverton
Denny	Madden	Ritner, <i>Sp'r.</i>
Dorrance	Mathews, Cam.	

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NAYS.

Mr. Binder	Mr. Duncan	Mr. Haines
Boyd	Evans	Harrison
Boyer	Fackenthall	Hottenstein
Cope	Good	Lehman

NAYS.

Mr. M'Bride
M'Ewen
M'Sherry
Matheys, Mont.
Matts
Meredith

Mr. G. Miller
R. Miller
Overholzer
Pearson
Ramsey

Mr. J. R. C. Smith
Snyder
J. Stevens
Thompson
Wilson

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So the question was determined in the affirmative. And
Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

The bills entitled as follow were severally read the third time and passed, viz.

No. 196, "A supplement to an act, entitled An act to protect the public in the full benefit and enjoyment of the works constructed for the purpose of inland navigation."

No. 13, "An act granting to John Dickson, of the borough of Erie, a certain lot of ground." And

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

The bill No. 16, entitled "An act to improve a certain public road in Union and Centre counties, commonly called the Brush Valley Narrows, and to improve the road from Bedford to Ar-magh," was read the third time.

When a motion was made by Mr. Tutwiler, that the said bill be re-committed to a committee of the whole House, for the purpose of amending the 2d section, by inserting after "paid," these words, "the one half of said two hundred dollars, together with the interest to the supervisors, or their orders, of St. Clair township, Bedford county, and the other half to".

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

A motion was made by Mr. Harrison, to postpone the question, together with the bill, for the present.

Which was disagreed to.

And the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the re-commitment?

It was determined in the negative.

And on the question,

Shall the bill pass?

It was determined in the affirmative. And

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, presented for concurrence the bill and resolution entitled as follow, viz.

No. 316, "A supplement to an act, entitled An act authorising the Governor to incorporate the York water company, passed the 8th day of February, 1816."

No. 317, "Resolution for the further distribution of the pamphlet laws of this commonwealth."

Which bill and resolution were read, and

Laid on the table.

And gave information,

That the Senate have concurred in the amendments by the House of Representatives to the amendments by the Senate to the bill from the House of Representatives, No. 66, entitled "A supplement to the act, entitled "An act to provide for the education of children at the public expense, within the city and county of Philadelphia, passed the 3d day of March, 1818."

On motion of Mr. Denny,

The House resumed the consideration of the resolution relative to the national road, postponed on the 12th ult.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the same?

It was determined in the affirmative. And

Ordered, That Messrs. Denny, Irwin, M'Creery, Tutwiler, Lawson, Cunningham and F. Smith be a committee for the purpose therein expressed.

Agreeably to the order of the day,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Evans in the chair, on the bill No. 195, entitled "An act for the encouragement of domestic manufactures, by exempting certain manufacturing establishments partially from taxation."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the first section of the bill negatived.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the report of the committee of the whole?

It was determined in the affirmative.

Adjourned until 3 o'clock this afternoon.

SAME DAY.

On motion of Mr. Patterson, the House resumed the consideration of the bill No. 14, postponed on the 31st ultimo, entitled "An act granting a sum of money for improving the navigation of the Tuscarora creek, in Mifflin county."

And the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the report of the committee of the whole?

It was determined in the negative.

The bill being again before the House,

And the 1st and second sections were severally considered and agreed to.

The 3d section being under consideration,
A motion was made by Mr. M'Sherry, to amend the same by striking therefrom "Mifflin," and inserting in lieu thereof "Junata."

Which was disagreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Gebhart, to amend the section by striking therefrom "and fifty cents."

Which was agreed to.

And the section as amended was agreed to.

The title was considered and agreed to. And

Ordered, That the bill be transcribed for the third reading.

Agreeably to leave given,

The House again resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Irwin in the chair, on the bill No. 17, entitled "An act granting compensation to the executors of the estate of Thomas Livezey, for tracts of land certified to Connecticut claimants, in the seventeen townships of the county of Luzerne."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Leave was granted. And

Ordered, That the committee of the whole sit again on Wednesday the 7th inst.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Scudder in the chair, on the bill No. 19, entitled "An act establishing an academy in the town of Clearfield."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill without amendment.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Wolford in the chair, on the bill No. 21, entitled "An act to exempt from taxation the buildings of the German society in the city of Philadelphia."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with one amendment.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Ellis in the chair, on the bill No. 22, entitled "An act to authorise the laying out of a state road from Kutztown, in Berks county, to Mauch Chunk, in Northampton county."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with amendments.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. J. Stevens in the chair, on the bill No. 25, entitled "A supplement to an act, entitled A supplement to an act, entitled An act to authorise the Governor of this commonwealth to incorporate a com-

pany for the purpose of making and erecting a bridge over the river Susquehanna, in the county of Lancaster, at or near the town of Columbia, passed the 29th day of March, 1824."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill without amendment.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. J. Miller in the chair, on the bill No. 26, entitled "An act declaring Pine creek, in Centre county, a public highway."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with amendments.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Tutwiler in the chair, on the bill No. 27, entitled "An act to annul the marriage contract of Nicholas Black and Fanny his wife."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill without amendment.

Adjourned until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

SATURDAY, February 3, 1827.

Mr. Snyder presented a memorial from the Kensington district of the Northern Liberties, of the county of Philadelphia, praying for the passage of a law to secure to the said district a portion of a fund appropriated for the purchase and improvement of certain public landings.

Which was referred to the members from the said county.

Mr. James presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Bedford county, against a division of the said county.

Mr. Overholzer presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of the city and county of Lancaster, praying for authority to raise sixty thousand dollars, by way of lottery, in aid of supplying the said city with water.

And the said petition, memorial and remonstrance were

Laid on the table.

Mr. M'Clure presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Wharton township, Potter county, praying that the said township

may be erected into a separate election district, and the elections thereof held at the house of David Nelson.

Which was referred to the committee on election districts.

A motion was made by Mr. Haines and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to inquire into the expediency of a geological survey of the state of Pennsylvania, and the best and most practicable mode of making the same. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted. And

Ordered, That Messrs. Haines, Irwin, Farrell, M'Sherry, Alter, Patterson and Ellis, be a committee for the purpose therein expressed.

A motion was made by Mr. M'Sherry, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That the committee on the judiciary system be instructed to inquire into the expediency of repealing the law reviving the circuit courts throughout this commonwealth, so far as relates to the county of Adams. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time.

And being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. F. Smith, to amend the same by striking therefrom these words, "so far as relates to the county of Adams."

Which was agreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Meredith, to postpone the further consideration of the resolution for the present.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Shannon obtained leave to withdraw the depositions, interrogatories and cross-examinations taken on complaint against justice Sproat, of Beaver county.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, presented for concurrence the bills entitled as follow, viz.

No. 318, "A further supplement to the act, entitled An act to establish a board of wardens for the port of Philadelphia, and for the regulation of pilots and pilotages, and for other purposes therein mentioned."

Which bill was read, and made the order of the day for Monday the 12th instant.

No. 319, "A further supplement to the act, entitled An act to re-charter certain banks."

No. 320, "An act extending the time for completing the Washington and Pittsburg turnpike road, and relative to the state's subscription to the same."

No. 321, "An act to incorporate the borough of Selinsgrove, in Union county, and the town of Berlin, in the county of Somerset."

No. 322, "An act for the relief of Metal township, Franklin county."

No. 323, "An act to incorporate the towns of Jefferson and Hamilton, in Greene county, into a borough."

Which bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

Mr. Becker, from the committee to whom was, on yesterday, referred a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 324, entitled "A supplement to the act, entitled An act authorising the executors of Robert Brooke and others, to sell and convey certain real estate."

Mr. M'Clure, from the committee to whom were referred sundry petitions on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 325, entitled "An act authorising the laying out a state road from Northumberland, in the county of Northumberland, to Jersey Shore, in the county of Lycoming."

Mr. Lawson, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 10th ult. a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 326, entitled "An act for the relief of Jacob M'Fadden."

Which bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

The bill No. 14, entitled "An act granting a sum of money for improving the navigation of the Tuscarora creek, in Mifflin county," was read the third time and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Shannon,

The House resumed the consideration of the resolution relative to an improved canal lock, postponed on the 24th ult.

When a motion was made by Mr. Cunningham, to amend the same by striking therefrom these words, "and also to inquire into the propriety of appropriating such sum of money as may be considered necessary to defray the expense of constructing a lock on said plan, for the purpose of testing its utility," and inserting in lieu thereof these words, "and to report to this House their opinion of the utility of said invention."

Which was agreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Lawson, further to amend the resolution, by inserting after "capitol," these words, "or such other invention as may be laid before them."

When a motion was made by Mr. Meredith, to postpone the amendment, together with the resolution, for the present.

Which was disagreed to.

And the amendment was disagreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Shannon, further to amend the resolution, by striking therefrom these words, "to examine a recent invention of a lock for saving water in canal transportation, a model whereof is deposited in the library room of the capitol for this purpose," and inserting in lieu thereof these words, "to

consider the expediency of requesting the board of canal commissioners to examine a water saving lock invented by David Townsend."

Which was agreed to.

And the resolution as amended was adopted.

The bill No. 19, entitled "An act establishing an academy in the town of Clearfield," was read the second time.

And the sections to the 6th inclusive were severally considered and agreed to.

The 7th section being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Harrison, to amend the same by inserting after "raised," in the 12th line, "and paid."

The amendment being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. J. Miller, to amend the same by adding thereto "or secured to be paid."

Which was disagreed to.

And the amendment was disagreed to.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the 7th section?

It was determined in the affirmative.

The title was considered and agreed to. And

Ordered, That the bill be transcribed for the third reading.

Adjourned until 10 o'clock on Monday morning next.



MONDAY, February 5, 1827.

The Speaker laid before the House a letter, (No. 174,) from the secretary of the library company of Philadelphia, accompanied with a copy (No. 175) of a resolution of the directors of the said company.

Which were read, and

Laid on the table.

The Secretary of the Commonwealth being introduced, presented a message (No. 176,) from the Governor, accompanied with a report, (No. 177,) from the commissioners of the Pittsburg penitentiary.

Which were read, and

Laid on the table.

Mr. Duncan presented a memorial from sundry merchants of Philadelphia, praying that a company may be incorporated to

build steam boats for the purpose of towing vessels through the bay and river Delaware.

Which was referred to the members from the city and county of Philadelphia.

Mr. Snyder presented the petition of Matthias Hanson, of the county of Philadelphia, accompanied with documents, stating his services in the revolutionary war, and praying relief.

Mr. Denny presented the petition of John Kirkland, of Allegheny county, accompanied with documents, stating his services in the revolutionary war, and praying relief.

Mr. Atkinson presented the petition of Thomas Carter, of Venango county, accompanied with documents, stating his services in the revolutionary war, and praying relief.

Mr. Boyer presented a document relative to the claim of Margaret Bickhard.

And the said petitions and documents were referred to the committee on claims.

Mr. Harrison presented two petitions, of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of Bucks county, praying for the repeal of the act repealing the law laying a tax on dogs in the said county.

Which were referred to Messrs. Harrison, Gebhart and Wolford.

Mr. Ihrie presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Northampton county, praying for an appropriation in aid of improving the road across the Blue mountain at Smith's gap.

Which was referred to Messrs. Ihrie, M'Bride and G. Bell.

Mr. Ihrie presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Toamensing township, Northampton county, praying that the place of holding their general elections may be changed to the house of John D. Bowman the younger.

Mr. Bell of Westmoreland presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Robbstown, South Huntingdon township, Westmoreland county, praying for authority to elect an additional constable.

Mr. Blair presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Morris township, Huntingdon county, praying that the said township may be erected into a separate election district, and the elections thereof held at the house of Frederick Kuhn.

And the said petitions were referred to the committee on election districts.

Mr. Ihrie presented a petition from sundry stockholders of the Easton Bank, praying for certain alterations in their act of incorporation.

Mr. Boyd presented a petition from the president and directors of the Commercial Bank of Pennsylvania, praying for certain alterations in their act of incorporation.

Mr. Boyd presented a petition from sundry directors and stockholders of the Schuylkill Bank of the city of Philadelphia, praying for certain alterations in their act of incorporation.

And the said petitions were referred to the committee on banks.

Mr. Ihrie presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Northampton county, praying for an appropriation in aid of completing the state road from Easton to Milford.

Which was referred to Messrs. Ihrie, James and Whitlatch.

Mr. Ihrie presented four petitions, of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of Lower Nazareth township, Northampton county, praying for authority to hold their general elections in the borough of Easton.

Which were referred to the committee on election districts.

Mr. Ihrie presented the petition of Rosina Jacoby, of Northampton county, accompanied with documents, praying for authority to receive certain personal and to sell and convey certain real estate therein mentioned.

Which were referred to Messrs. Ihrie, J. Miller and Madden.

Mr. Ihrie presented a petition from the administrators of Peter Anthony, late of Northampton county, deceased, accompanied with documents, praying for authority to sell and convey certain real estate.

Which were referred to Messrs. Ihrie, Krepps and Thompson.

Mr. M'Clure presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Lycoming county, praying for an appropriation in aid of making a road from Knox's mill to the Block house.

Which was referred to Messrs. M'Clure, Good and M'Ewen.

Mr. Aughinbaugh presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Shippensburg township, Cumberland county, praying that the said township may be annexed to Franklin county.

Which was referred to Messrs. Aughinbaugh, Duncan, Shannon, Woolverton and Bell of Lebanon.

Mr. M'Clure presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Tioga county, praying that a company may be incorporated in the said county for mining, manufacturing and banking purposes.

Which was referred to Messrs. M'Clure, Snyder, Barber, Woolverton and Duncan.

Mr. Evans presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of the borough of Pottstown, Montgomery county, praying that commissioners may be appointed to take testimony relative to the original plan of the said borough.

Which was referred to the members from the said county.

Mr. Binder presented a petition from sundry millers and dealers in flour, in this state, praying for certain alterations in the law relative to the inspection of flour.

Which was referred to the members from the city and county of Philadelphia.

Mr. Cunningham presented a petition from sundry members of the Associate Reformed church, of the borough of Mercer, in Mercer county, praying for an act of incorporation.

Which was referred to Messrs. Cunningham, Bell of Lebanon and Becker.

Mr. Ringland presented a petition from the officers of the Columbian riflemen, in Washington county, praying that the said corps may be supplied with public rifles.

Which was referred to the committee on the militia system.

Mr. Atkinson presented the petition of Abraham Clark, of Venango county, praying that the right of the commonwealth to a certain peice of land therein mentioned may be vested in him.

Which was referred to Messrs. Atkinson, Wilson and Cooper.

Mr. Atkinson presented a petition from sundry citizens of this commonwealth, praying that a company may be incorporated for the purpose of making a canal from the state line, down the Coneywango creek, to intersect the Pennsylvania canal.

Mr. Woolverton presented a petition of like import with the foregoing.

Mr. Meredith presented a memorial from sundry manufacturers and dealers in gun powder, in this commonwealth, praying for certain alterations in the law relative to the storage of gunpowder.

Mr. Meredith presented a petition from sundry merchants, underwriters and others, inhabitants of Philadelphia, praying for certain alterations in the law relative to pilots and pilotages.

Mr. Meredith presented a memorial from the Philadelphia Chamber of Commerce, of like import with the foregoing.

Mr. Boyer presented two petitions, of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of Berks county, praying for an appropriation in aid of the erection of a bridge across the river Schuylkill at Hamburg.

Mr. Snyder presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Schuylkill county, praying that companies may be incorporated for the purpose of mining and transporting coal.

And the said petitions and memorials were

Laid on the table.

Mr. Eldred presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Pike and Wayne counties, praying for an appropriation in aid of completing the Bethany and Dingman's choice turnpike road.

Which was referred to Messrs. Eldred, Tutwiler and Kerr.

Mr. Eldred presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of the borough of Bethany, in Wayne county, praying that a company may be incorporated for the purpose of supplying the said borough with water.

Which was referred to Messrs. Eldred, G. Miller, and Matthews of Cambria.

Mr. Binder presented six petitions, of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of Germantown, in the county of Philadelphia, praying that said town may be erected into a borough.

Which were referred to the members from the said county.

Mr. Lehman presented a petition from sundry citizens of this commonwealth, praying that a company may be incorporated for the purpose of making a canal, or other means of navigation, from the Delaware and Hudson canal to Easton, or to tide water.

Which was referred to the members from Bucks, Northampton, Wayne and Pike counties.

Mr. Lehman presented a petition from Israel W. Morris, and others, of the city of Philadelphia, praying for authority to sell and convey certain real estate, late of Stephen Paschall, deceased.

Which was referred to Messrs. Lehman, Haines and Evans.

A motion was made by Mr. Ellis, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That a select committee be appointed to inquire into the expediency of purchasing for the use of this House, a collection of the most approved works in relation to canal navigation and internal improvement. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted. And

Ordered, That Messrs. Ellis, Lehman, Lawson, Brown of Allegheny, Blair, Haines and Barber, be a committee for the purpose therein expressed.

A motion was made by Mr. F. Smith, that the bill No 156, entitled "An act to raise a sum of money, by way of lottery, to pay the debts of the turnpike companies," be the first order of the day for Wednesday the 14th instant.

The motion being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Meredith, to amend the same by striking therefrom "the first order of the day for Wednesday the 14th instant," and inserting in lieu thereof, "committed to the committee of ways and means."

And on the question,

Will the House agree so to amend?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. F. Smith and Mr. Farrel, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Haines	Mr. R. Miller
Beatty	Harrison	Patterson
G. Bell	Irwin	Pearson 4
Binder	Kerr	Petrikia
Blair	Knight	Ramsey
Boyd	Lawson	Rankin
Brown, Allegh.	Lehman	Ringland
Cummin	M'Clure	Shannon
Cunningham	M'Creery	J. R. C. Smith
Duncan	M'Ewen	Snyder
Ellis	M'Reynolds	Thomas
Fackenthall	Madden	Thompson
W. Forster	Matts	Wilson
W. B. Foster	Meredith	Wise
Good		

NAMES.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. Dorrance	Mr. Matheys, Mont.
Alter	Eldred	Mathewson
Aughinbaugh	Evans	G. Miller
Barber	Farrell	J. Miller
Becker	Gebhart	Nicholson
Bell, Leb.	Hetrick	Overholzer
Bell, West.	Hottenstein	F. Smith
Bonner	Ihrrie	J. Stevens
Boyer	James	Tutwiler
Brown, Lan.	Krepps	Whitlatch
Buyers	Lauman	Woltersberger
Cooper	M'Bride	Woolverton
Cope	M'Sherry	Ritner, Sp'r.
Denny	Mathews, Cam.	41

So the question was determined in the affirmative.

And the motion as amended was agreed to.

A motion was made by Mr. Krepps, and read as follows, viz.

Whereas, The spirit of internal improvement is making rapid progress in many parts of Pennsylvania, and appears to be destined, at no very distant period, to connect the eastern and western waters of this state by means of a canal, or canal and railway, passing through the centre of the state, which will intersect the Allegheny river:

And whereas, The river Monongahela flows a distance of nearly one hundred and fifty miles, through the south western part of Pennsylvania, through a fertile country, and is the only channel of communication which presents itself to the people of that section of the state, whereby they can be enabled to participate, in any degree, in the advantages anticipated from the grand Pennsylvania canal now in contemplation:

And whereas, It is believed that the said river is fully susceptible of being improved to great advantage, by means of a slack water navigation, which, if completed, would have a tendency to divert a great portion of the trade of the south western part of Pennsylvania, from seeking a market to the south, and direct in to the Pennsylvania canal at Pittsburg, and consequently to the city of Philadelphia, our own state metropolis, not only to the advantage of the people of that particular section of the state, but of the state at large.

Therefore,

Resolved, That the committee on inland navigation and internal improvement be, and they are hereby instructed to inquire into the propriety of incorporating a company, to improve the Monongahela river, from the Virginia state line to the city of Pittsburg, by means of a slack water navigation, and of the state taking a certain amount of stock therein. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

Adjourned until 3 o'clock this afternoon.

SAME DAY.

On motion of Mr. Eldred,

Ordered, That the committee to whom was referred the petition of Constant Mathewson, have leave to sit during the sessions of the House.

A motion was made by Mr. Denny, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That the rules of this House be so far dispensed with, that from and after this day, until the end of the session, the House proceed at 11 o'clock to the consideration of bills, to the exclusion of all other business.

Laid on the table.

Mr. Dunlap obtained leave of absence for a few days.

Mr. Good, Mr. Nicholson, and Mr. Krepps, obtained leave of absence for a few days from to-morrow.

Mr. W. B. Forster, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 2d instant, a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 327, entitled "An act incorporating Alleghenytown, in Allegheny county, into a borough."

Mr. Krepps, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 2d instant, a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 328, entitled "An act for the relief of William Arnold, late a supervisor of Luzerne township, in the county of Fayette."

Which bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

The bill No. 19, entitled "An act establishing an academy in the town of Clearfield," was read the third time and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. M'Creery,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Matheys of Montgomery in the chair, on the resolution No. 304, relative to repairing the telescope.

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the resolution without amendment. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted. And

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, returned the resolution No. 188, entitled "Resolution relative to the further distribution of Purdon's digest."

And gave information,

That the Senate have passed said resolution without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Irwin,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Barber in the chair, on the resolution from the Senate, No. 317, For the further distribution of the pamphlet laws.

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Leave was granted. And

Ordered, That the committee of the whole sit again on Wednesday the 7th inst.

The bill No. 21, entitled "An act to exempt from taxation the buildings of the German society, in the city of Philadelphia," was read the second time.

And the 1st section being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Knight, to amend the same by adding thereto the following proviso: "*Provided*, the exemption shall extend only to taxes for city purposes."

Which was disagreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Binder, to amend the section by striking therefrom these words,

"That the lot of ground and buildings erected thereon, on the west side of Seventh street, in the city of Philadelphia, belonging to the German Society contributing for the relief of distressed Germans in the state of Pennsylvania, shall be and remain free from the payment of taxes, as long as the same shall be employed in direct aid and occupation of the said institution," and inserting in lieu thereof these words,

"That the several acts of Assembly, exonerating from the payment of taxes, the Franklin Institute, the Philadelphia Library, and the Masonic Hall, be, and the same are hereby repealed."

Which was disagreed to.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the 1st section?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Binder and Mr. Pearson, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Atkinson
Barber
G. Bell
Blair
Boyer
Cooper

Cope
Cunningham
Dorrance
Ellis
Fackenthall
Farrell

Mr. W. B. Foster
Gebhart
Good
Haines
Ihrle
Lehman

YEAS.

Mr. M'Clure	Mr. Rahn	Mr. Tutwiler
Madden	Shannon	Whitlatch
Meredith	F. Smith	Wolford
J. Miller	J. R. C. Smith	Woolverton
Overholzer	J. Stevens	Ritner, Sp'r. 33

NAYS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. Evans	Mr. Matheys, Mont.
Alter	W. Forster	Mathewson
Aughinbaugh	Harrison	Matts
Beatty	Hetrick	G. Miller
Becker	Irwin	H. Miller
Bell, Leb.	James	R. Miller
Bell, West.	Kerr	Nicholson
Binder	Knight	Patterson
Bonner	Krepps	Pearson
Boyd	Lauman	Petrikina
Brown, Allegh.	Lawson	Ramsey
Brown, Lan.	M'Bride	Rankin
Buyers	M'Creery	Ringland
Cummin	M'Ewen	Snyder
Denny	M Reynolds	Thomas
Duncan	M'Sherry	Thompson
Eldred	Mathews, Cam.	Wise 51

So the question was determined in the negative.

The second section was considered and agreed to.

The title was considered and agreed to, being amended by striking therefrom "buildings of the German Society in the city of Philadelphia," and inserting in lieu thereof "property of the Pennsylvania institution for the deaf and dumb."

And on the question,

Shall the bill be transcribed for the third reading?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Binder and Mr. Meredith, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Alter	Mr. Brown, Lan.	Mr. Farrell
Atkinson	Buyers	W. Forster
Barber	Cooper	W. B. Foster
Beatty	Cope	Gebhart
Becker	Cummin	Good
G. Bell	Cunningham	Haines
Bell, Leb.	Denny	Harrison
Bell, West.	Dorrance	Hetrick
Blair	Duncan	Hottenstein
Bonner	Eldred	Ihrle
Boyd	Ellis	Irwin
Boyer	Evans	James
Brown, Allegh.	Fackenthall	Kerr

FEAS.

Mr. Knight	Mr. Mathewson	Mr. Ringland
Krepps	Matts	Shannon
Lauman	Meredith	F. Smith
Lawson	G. Miller	J. R. C. Smith
Lehman	H. Miller	Snyder
M'Bride	J. Miller	J. Stevens
M'Clure	R. Miller	Thomas
M'Creery	Nicholson	Thompson
M'Ewen	Overholzer	Tutwiler
M'Reynolds	Patterson	Whitlatch
M'Sherry	Petrikiri	Wise
Madden	Rahn	Wolford
Mathews, Cam.	Ramsey	Woolverton
Matheys, Mont.	Rankin	Ritner, Sp'r. 81

NAIS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. Binder	Mr. Pearson
Aughinbaugh		

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So the question was determined in the affirmative.

The bill No 25, entitled "A supplement to an act, entitled A supplement to an act, entitled An act to authorise the Governor of this commonwealth to incorporate a company for the purpose of making and erecting a bridge over the river Susquehanna, in the county of Lancaster, at or near the town of Columbia, passed the 29th day of March, 1824," was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered, To be transcribed for the third reading.

The bill No 26, entitled "An act declaring Pine creek, in Centre county, a public highway," was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered, To be transcribed for the third reading. The title being amended so as to read as follows, viz. "An act declaring certain creeks within this commonwealth public highways."

The bill No. 27, entitled "An act to annul the marriage contract of Nicholas Black and Fanny his wife," was read the second time.

And the first section was considered and agreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Irwin, to amend the bill by adding thereto the following new section, viz.

Section 2. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid*, That the marriage contract entered into between William Fleming and Rebecca his wife, late Rebecca Yarnell, both of the county of Fayette, be and the same is hereby annulled and made void, and the parties released and discharged from all the legal duties and obligations arising therefrom, as fully, effectually and absolutely as if they had never been joined in marriage: *Provided*, That nothing herein contained shall be construed to render illegitimate the children of the said marriage.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the new section?

It was determined in the affirmative.

A motion was then made by Mr. Duncan, further to amend the bill by adding thereto the following new section, viz.

Section 3. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That the marriage contract entered into between John C. Hale, (otherwise called John C. Hill,) and Matilda his wife, at Philadelphia, on the 15th day of January, eighteen hundred and twenty-five, be and the same is hereby annulled and made void, and the said parties thereto are hereby released and discharged from the said contract, and from all the duties and obligations arising therefrom, as fully, effectually and absolutely as if they had never been joined in marriage.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the new section?

It was determined in the affirmative.

A motion was then made by Mr. Irwin, to amend the bill by inserting the following preamble, viz.

"*Whereas*, it has been represented to the Legislature, that Nicholas Black and Fanny his wife, of Fayette county, were legally joined in marriage; that William Fleming and Rebecca his wife, late Rebecca Yarnell, of the same county, were legally joined in marriage; and that John C. Hale, (alias John C. Hill,) and Matilda his wife, of the city of Philadelphia, were legally joined in marriage; and that the said Fanny Black, William Fleming and John C. Hale, (alias John C. Hill,) were subsequently severally convicted of larceny, and sentenced to the penitentiary of Philadelphia, where they are now in confinement. Therefore".

And on the question,

Will the House agree so to amend?

It was determined in the affirmative.

The title was considered and agreed to, being amended so as to read as follows, viz.

"An act to annul the marriage contracts of Nicholas Black and Fanny his wife, William Fleming and Rebecca his wife, and John C. Hale, (otherwise John C. Hill,) and Matilda his wife."

And on the question,

Shall the bill be transcribed for the third reading?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Thompson and Mr. G. Miller, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Agnew

Alter

Atkinson

Aughinbaugh

Barber

Beatty

G. Bell

Bell, Leb.

Mr. Blair

Brown, Lan.

Cope

Cummin

Cunningham

Dorrance

Duncan

Eldred

Mr. Evans

Fackenthall

Farrell

W. B. Foster

Gebhart

Harrison

Hetrick

Hottenstein

YEAS.

Mr. Ihrie
Irwin
Kerr
Knight
Krepps
M'Clure
M'Raynolds
Matheys, Mont.
Mathewson

Mr. H. Miller
J. Miller
R. Miller
Nicholson
Overholzer
Patterson
Ringland
Shannon
F. Smith

Mr. J. R. C. Smith
Snyder
J. Stevens
Thomas
Tutwiler
Wise
Wolford
Woolverton
Ritner, *Sp'r.* 51

NAYS.

Mr. Binder
Bonner
Boyd
Brown, Allegh.
Cooper
Denny
Ellis

Mr. W. Forster
Lawson
M'Bride
M'Creery
M'Sherry
Madden
Matts

Mr. Meredith
G. Miller
Pearson
Ramsey
Rankin
Thompson

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So the question was determined in the affirmative.

Adjourned until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

**TUESDAY, February 6, 1827.**

Mr. Fackenthall presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Bucks county, praying for the passage of a law more effectually to provide for the paying over of costs by the prothonotaries and clerks of courts.

Which was referred to the committee on the judiciary system.

Mr. Rahn presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Schuylkill county, praying that the Schuylkill navigation company may be authorised to reduce the dimensions of their locks.

Which was referred to the committee on inland navigation and internal improvement.

Mr. Farrell presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Westmoreland county, praying for certain alterations in the law to incorporate the Mount Pleasant free road company.

Which was referred to the members from the said county.

Mr. F. Smith presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Shippensburg township, Cumberland county, praying that the said township may be annexed to Franklin county.

Which was referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

Mr. McClure presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Columbia county, praying that a state road may be laid out from New Columbus to Jersey Shore.

Mr. Farrell presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Westmoreland county, against increasing the public debt for the purpose of making the Pennsylvania canal.

Mr. Denny presented two petitions, of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of Allegheny county, praying that a state road may be laid out from Williamsburg, in Washington county, to Pittsburg.

Mr. Thomas presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Luzerne county, praying that a company may be incorporated for the purpose of making a turnpike road from Wilkesbarre to Mauch Chunk.

Mr. Cope presented three memorials, of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of Montgomery county, remonstrating against the construction of the Pennsylvania canal, and praying for the repeal of the act relative to collateral inheritances.

And the said petitions, memorials and remonstrances, were
Laid on the table.

Mr. Bell, of Westmoreland, presented a document relative to the claim of Jane Martin.

Mr. Eldred presented the petition of Mary Vanwhyte, of Pike county, accompanied with documents, stating the services of her late husband, Henry Vanwhyte, in the revolutionary war, and praying relief.

Mr. Tutwiler presented a document relative to the claim of Jacob Fahner.

Mr. Benner presented the petition of Catharine Clark, of Adams county, accompanied with documents, stating the services of her late husband, William Clark, in the late war, and praying relief.

And the said petitions and documents were referred to the committee on claims.

Mr. M'Bride presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Columbia county, praying for an appropriation in aid of the erection of a bridge across the river Susquehanna, at Cattawissa.

Mr. Ellis presented a petition of like import with the foregoing.

Which were referred to Messrs. M'Bride, P. Stephens, and Mathewson.

Mr. J. Miller presented the petition of Nathan Vanfossin, of Perry county, guardian of an illegitimate child of Mary Ogle, deceased, praying for authority to receive from the administrators of the said Mary Ogle, certain money therein mentioned, for the purpose of educating and supporting the said child.

Which was referred to Messrs. J. Miller, Madden, and Atkinson.

Mr. P. Stephens presented a remonstrance from Richard Caton, of the state of Maryland, against the passage of a law affecting his title to certain lands in Bradford county, claimed by the heirs of Elisha Mathewson, deceased.

Mr. P. Stephens presented a remonstrance of like import with the foregoing, from Obadiah Spalding, of Bradford county.

Which were referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

Mr. Eldred presented two petitions, of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of Northampton and Pike counties, praying for an appropriation in aid of improving the road across Godfrey's mountain.

Which were referred to Messrs. Eldred, Madden and G. Bell.

Mr. Petrikin presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Centre county, praying for an appropriation in aid of improving the state road from Bellefonte to the mouth of White Deer creek.

Which was referred to Messrs. Petrikin, Madden and Thomas.

Mr. R. Miller presented a petition from the directors of the poor of Chester county, praying for authority to receive certain unclaimed fees therein mentioned.

Which was referred to the members from the said county.

Mr. Bonner presented a petition from the members of the court and bar of Adams county, praying that an annual session of the supreme court may be held at Harrisburg.

Which was referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

Mr. F. Smith, from the committee on the judiciary system, made a report, (No. 178,) relative to an alteration in the hundred dollar law, accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That the committee be discharged from any further consideration of the subject.

And on motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

Mr. Lehman, from the committee on inland navigation and internal improvement, made a report, (No. 179,) relative to the location of the western section of the Pennsylvania canal, accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That the committee be discharged from the further consideration of that part of the report of the board of canal commissioners, which relates to the location of the canal.

Which were read, and

Laid on the table.

Mr. F. Smith, from the committee on the judiciary system, made a report (No. 180,) relative to bail taken by justices of the peace accompanied with the following resolution viz.

Resolved, That the committee be discharged from any further consideration of the subject. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

Mr. Snyder from the committee on banks reported a bill,

No. 329 entitled "A further supplement to the act, entitled An act to re-charter certain banks."

Which bill was read, and

Laid on the table.

Mr. F. Smith, from the committee on the judiciary system, reported a bill,

No. 330, entitled "An act concerning commissioners of counties."

Which bill was read and made the order of the day for Monday the 12th inst.

Mr. F. Smith, from the committee on the judiciary system, reported a bill,

No. 331, entitled "A further supplement to an act for holding special courts of common pleas."

Mr. Madden, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 30th ultimo, a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 332, entitled "An act granting a sum of money to aid in erecting a bridge over the mouth of Middle creek, in Union county."

Mr. Blair, from the committee to whom were referred sundry petitions on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 333, entitled "A supplement to the act, entitled An act to authorise the governor to incorporate two companies to make an artificial road from Potter's old fort, in Centre county, to the Juniata turnpike road, at any point between the Yellow Springs and Water street, in Huntingdon county."

Mr. Aughinbaugh, from the committee to whom were referred sundry petitions on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 334, entitled "An act annexing part of Cumberland county to the county of Franklin."

Mr. Scudder from the committee to whom was referred, on the 3d ultimo, that item of unfinished business, reported a bill,

No. 335, entitled, "An act authorising the laying out a state road from Watsonstown in Northumberland county, to Berwick in Columbia county."

Mr. P. Stephens, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 18th ultimo, a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 336, entitled "An act to incorporate the Susquehanna manufacturing and wool company."

Which bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

The bills entitled as follow, were severally read the third time and passed, viz.

No. 21, "An act to exempt from taxation the property of the Pennsylvania institution for the deaf and dumb."

No. 26, "An act declaring certain creeks within this commonwealth public highways."

No. 27, "An act to annul the marriage contracts of Nicholas Black and Fanny his wife, William Fleming and Rebecca his wife, and John C. Hale, otherwise John Hill and Matilda his wife." And

Ordered. That the Clerk present the said bills to the Senate for concurrence.

The bill No 25, entitled "A supplement to an act, entitled A supplement to an act, entitled An act to authorise the Governor of this commonwealth to incorporate a company for the purpose of making and erecting a bridge over the river Susquehanna, in the county of Lancaster, at or near the town of Columbia, passed the 29th day of March, 1824," was read the third time.

And on the question,

Shall the same pass?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Wise and Mr. Fackenthall, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Hetrick	Mr. Pearson
Barber	Ihrle	Rahn
Becker	James	Ringland
G. Bell	Kennedy	Scudder
Bell Leb.	Lehman	F. Smith
Blair	M'Clure	J. R. C. Smith
Bonner	M'Creery	Snyder
Boyd	M'Sherry	Thomas
Cooper	Meredith	Thompson
Cope	H. Miller	Tutwiler
Cummin	J. Miller	Wolffersberger
Denny	R. Miller	Wolford
Duncan	Overholzer	Woolverton
W. B. Foster	Patterson	Ritner, <i>Sp'r.</i> 42

NAYS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. Fackenthall	Mr. Madden
Alter	Farrell	Mathews, Cam.
Aughinbaugh	W. Forster	Mathews, Mont.
Bell, West.	Gebhart	Matts
Binder	Harrison	G. Miller
Boyer	Hottenstein	Petrikín
Brown, Allegh.	Kerr	Ramsey
Brown, Lan.	Knight	Rankin
Buyers	Lauman	J. Stevens
Dunlap	Lawson	Whitlatch
Ellis	M'Bride	Wise
Evans	M'Ewen	

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So the question was determined in the affirmative. And

Ordered, That the Clerk present the said bill to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to leave given,

The House again resolved itself into a committee of the whole. Mr. W. B. Foster in the chair, on the bill, No. 104, entitled "An act granting a premium to the children of the poor of this commonwealth, for good conduct and improvement in school learning."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with amendments.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced returned the bill No. 12, entitled "A supplement to an act relative to state roads therein mentioned, passed the fifth of April, 1826."

And gave information,

That the Senate have passed said bill with one amendment, in which the concurrence of the House of Representatives is requested.

The amendment by the Senate to the said bill was read, and

Laid on the table.

Adjourned until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.



WEDNESDAY, February 7, 1827.

Mr. Eldred presented a document, relative to the claim of Mary Vanwhyte.

Mr. Dillinger presented the petition of Leonard Hanse, of Northampton county, accompanied with documents, stating his services in the revolutionary war, and praying relief.

Mr. Wise presented the petition of James Conner, of Westmoreland county, accompanied with documents, praying compensation for services rendered by his late father, Matthew Conner, in the revolutionary war.

And the said petitions and documents were referred to the committee on claims.

Mr. Eldred presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of that part of Middle Smithfield township, called Priceburg, in Pike county, praying for authority to elect an additional constable and supervisor, and also that the place of holding their general elections may be changed to the house of George Hilgert.

Which was referred to Messrs. Eldred, Whitlatch and G. Miller.

Mr. Kennedy presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Northampton county, praying for the repeal of the act relative to collateral inheritances.

Which was referred to the committee of ways and means.

Mr. Haines presented a remonstrance from sundry stockholders of the bank of Chester county, against any alteration in their act of incorporation.

Mr. Kennedy presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Northampton and Lehigh counties, praying for an appropriation in aid of improving the navigation of Big creek.

Mr. Dillinger presented a petition of like import with the foregoing.

Mr. Ihrie presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Northampton county, praying for an appropriation in aid of improving the state road from Easton to Milford.

Mr. Farrell presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Westmoreland county, praying that the turnpike roads within this commonwealth, may be converted into free roads.

Mr. Bell of Westmoreland presented a petition of like import with the foregoing.

Mr. Dillinger presented four petitions, of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of Northampton county, praying for a division of the said county.

Mr. Farrell presented a memorial from sundry inhabitants of Westmoreland county, remonstrating against the construction of the Pennsylvania canal, and praying for the repeal of the act relative to collateral inheritances.

Mr. M'Reynolds presented two petitions, of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of Columbia county, praying that the state road to be laid out from Berwick to Pennsborough, may pass through Jersey town.

And the said petitions, memorial, and remonstrance were

Laid on the table.

Mr. Dorrance presented the petition of Ann Brown, of Dauphin county, accompanied with a document, praying for a divorce from the bonds of matrimony.

Which were referred to Messrs. Dorrance, Beatty and Woolverton.

Mr. Wise presented the memorial of Ann Longsdorff, of Cumberland county, praying for the passage of a law to compel the payment of certain monies deposited by her in the Pennsylvania Agricultural and Manufacturing bank at Carlisle.

Which was referred to Messrs. Wise, Duncan and Dunlap.

Mr. Whitlatch presented three petitions of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of Greene and Fayette counties, praying that Henry Sharpneck and Alfred Frost, may be authorised to erect a lock in their mill dam, on the Monongahela river.

Which were referred to Messrs. Whitlatch, Kerr and James.

Mr. Atkinson presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Venango county, praying that a state road may be laid out from

the town of Warren to the Bedford and Franklin road, in a direction to Kittanning.

Which was referred to the members from Venango, Warren and Armstrong counties.

Mr. Brown of Lancaster presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Martick township, Lancaster county, praying that the place of holding their general elections may be changed to the house of George Smith.

Which was referred to the committee on election districts.

Mr. Irwin presented a petition from the trustees of the Presbyterian congregation of Uniontown, in Fayette county, praying that certain notes of the Union bank of Pennsylvania, in the treasury of this commonwealth, may be granted to them.

Which was referred to the members from the said county.

A motion was made by Mr. F. Smith, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That the Auditor General be requested to furnish this House, as soon as practicable, with a statement exhibiting the amount of debts due respectively by the several turnpike companies in this commonwealth, in which the state holds stock; the amount of tolls received by each for the last year, and the expenses of each in repairs, pay of officers or otherwise, for the same period.

Laid on the table.

A motion was made by Mr. Lawson, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to inquire into the expediency of requiring the treasurers of the several turnpike road companies, in which the state holds stock, to report to this House the amount of toll paid by the several stage owners on their respective turnpikes; the distance of their several turnpikes, and the number of toll gates established thereon; the kind of payments they make, whether in money or turnpike orders, and such other information as may be deemed of importance to this state in relation thereto.

And on motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted. And

Ordered, That Messrs. Lawson, Alter, M'Creery, Cooper, Barber, Aughinbaugh and Boyer be a committee for the purpose therein expressed.

On motion of Mr. M'Bride,

Ordered, That an item of unfinished business, relative to opening the streets and alleys in the town of Mifflinsburg, be referred to Messrs. M'Bride, Eldred and Madden.

Mr. M'Creery, from the committee on claims, made a report. (No. 181,) relative to the claim of Matthias Hanson, accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That the committee be discharged from any further consideration of the subject, and that the petitioner have leave to withdraw his petition and documents.

And, on motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

Mr. M'Creery, from the committee on claims, made a report, (No. 182,) relative to the claim of William Cline, accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That the committee be discharged from any further consideration of the subject, and that the petitioner have leave to withdraw his petition and documents.

And, on motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

Mr. M'Creery, from the committee on claims, made a report, (No. 183,) relative to the claim of Thomas Carter, accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That the committee be discharged from any further consideration of the subject.

And, on motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

Mr. Rahn, from the committee of accounts, made a report, (No. 184,) relative to the accounts of witnesses in the cases of judges Franks and Chapman, accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That the Speaker draw his warrants on the State Treasurer, in favor of the above named persons, for the aforesaid sums respectively.

And, on motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

Mr. Harrison, from the committee of ways and means, made a report, (No. 185,) relative to the purchase of turnpike stock from James Herriott, accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the petitioner, and that the committee be discharged from any further consideration of the subject.

And, on motion,

The said resolution was read the second time.

And being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Woolverton to amend the same by striking therefrom these words, "that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the petitioner, and that the committee be discharged from any further consideration of the subject," and inserting in lieu thereof these words, "That the committee be instructed to report a bill agreeably to the prayer of the petitioner."

And on the question,

Will the House agree so to amend?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Woolverton and Mr. Hottenstein, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. Dunlap	Mr. H. Miller
Atkinson	Eldred	J. Miller
Barber	Evans	Overholzer
Beatty	Farrell	Petrikiri
G. Bell	W. Forster	Rahn
Bell, Leb.	W. B. Foster	Rankin
Blair	Hottenstein	Scudder
Boyer	Ihrle	Shannon
Brown, Lan.	Lawson	P. Stephens
Buyers	Lehman	J. Stevens
Cooper	M'Reynolds	Thomas
Cummin	M'Sherry	Tutwiler
Cunningham	Madden	Wise
Denny	Matheys, Mont.	Woltersberger
Dorrance	Mathewson	Woolverton
Duncan		

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NAIS.

Mr. Alter	Mr. Harrison	Mr. G. Miller
Aughinbaugh	Hetrick	R. Miller
Becker	Irwin	Patterson
Bell, West.	James	Pearson
Binder	Kennedy	Ramsey
Bonner	Kerr	Ringland
Boyd	Knight	F. Smith
Brown, Allegh.	Lauman	J. R. C. Smith
Cope	M'Bride	Snyder
Dillinger	M'Clure	Thompson
Ellis	M'Creery	Whitlatch
Fackenthall	M'Ewen	Wilson
Gebhart	Matts	Wolford
Haines	Meredith	Ritner, Sp'r. 42

So the question was determined in the affirmative.

And the resolution as amended was adopted.

Mr. M'Creery, from the committee on claims, reported a bill, No. 337, entitled "An act for the relief of Margaret Pickhard and Jane Martin, widows, and Jacob Fahner, a revolutionary soldier."

Which bill was read, and

Laid on the table.

Mr. Harrison, from the committee of ways and means, reported a bill,

No. 338, entitled "An act regulating tavern licenses"

Which bill was read, and made the order of the day for Monday the 19th inst.

Mr. Lawson, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 2d instant, a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 339, entitled "An act repealing so much of an act authorising the election of additional constables in certain townships therein mentioned, as relates to the borough of Blairsville."

Mr. Farrell, from the committee to whom was, on yesterday, referred a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 340, entitled "A supplement to the act, entitled "An act authorising the Governor to incorporate the president, managers and company of the Mount Pleasant free road, in the county of Westmoreland, passed the 31st day of March, 1823."

Mr. Ihrie, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 5th instant, a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 341, entitled "An act to improve a certain state road leading from the borough of Easton, in the county of Northampton, to Milford, in the county of Pike."

Mr. Ihrie, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 5th instant, a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 342, entitled "An act to improve a certain public road crossing the Blue mountain, at a place called Smith's gap, in the county of Northampton."

Mr. Lawson, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 2d instant, a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 343, entitled "A supplement to an act, entitled An act authorising the appointment of commissioners for the purpose of taking testimony relative to the original plan of the town of Armagh, and recording the same."

Mr. Eldred, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 5th instant, a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 344, entitled "An act to incorporate the Bethany water company."

Mr. M'Bride, from the committee to whom were referred, on yesterday, sundry petitions on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 345, entitled "A further supplement to the act, entitled An act to authorise the Governor to incorporate a company for erecting a bridge over the river Susquehanna, at or near the town of Cattawissa."

Mr. Atkinson, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 5th instant, a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 346, entitled "An act vesting in Abraham Clark, the interest of this commonwealth to a certain lot or piece of ground situate in the town of Franklin, Venango county."

Mr. Blair, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 25th ultimo, a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 347, entitled "An act to increase the number of managers in the Huntingdon, Cambria and Indiana turnpike road company, and for other purposes."

Mr. Atkinson, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 15th ultimo, that item of unfinished business, reported a bill,

No. 348, entitled "An act for the relief of Abraham Kite-linger, David Compton, Joseph Patton and William Bennet."

Mr. Cunningham, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 5th instant, a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 349, entitled "An act to incorporate the Associate Reformed congregation of Mercer, in Mercer county."

Which bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, presented for concurrence the bills entitled as follow, viz.

No. 350, "An act to authorise the trustees of Nancy Wharton to sell and convey certain property."

No. 351, "An act supplementary to an act, for building a bridge over the river Schuylkill, opposite Norristown, in the county of Montgomery"

And the said bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

Agreeably to leave given, the House again resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Barber in the chair, on the resolution from the Senate, No. 317, relative to the further distribution of the pamphlet laws.

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

Leave was granted. And

Ordered, That the committee of the whole sit again on to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. Lehman,

The resolution attached to the report of the committee on inland navigation and internal improvement, relative to the location of the Pennsylvania canal, read on yesterday, was read the second time, considered and adopted.

The bill No. 104, entitled "An act granting a premium to the children of the poor of this commonwealth, for good conduct and improvement in school learning," was read the second time.

And the first section being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. F. Smith, to postpone the further consideration of the same, together with the bill, until this day two weeks.

Which was disagreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Harrison, to amend the first section by inserting after "Commonwealth," in the 4th line, these words, "shall, if they deem it expedient."

Which was agreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. M'Creery, further to amend the section by striking therefrom, "with the New Testament or."

Which was agreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Harrison, further to amend the section by striking from the 4th line, "it shall be the duty of."

Which was agreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Petrikin, further to amend the section by inserting after "dictionary," in the 7th line, "in the German or English language."

Which was agreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Bonner, further to amend the section by striking therefrom, "Rogers' Biographical Dictionary," and inserting in lieu thereof, "any such book as they may think proper."

Which was disagreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Meredith, further to amend the section, by adding thereto the following proviso, viz. *Provided*, That this act shall not extend to the commissioners of the county of Philadelphia.

The amendment being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Duncan, to amend the same by adding thereto these words, "without the approbation of the controllers of the public schools."

When,

On motion,

The House adjourned until 3 o'clock this afternoon.

SAME DAY.

The Secretary of the Commonwealth being introduced, presented a message from the Governor, (No. 186,) accompanied with a report (No. 187,) of the board of canal commissioners, and with the following documents, viz.

- No. 188. A report on the Susquehanna and Potomac route, by John Mitchell, Esq.
189. A report on the French creek feeder, by Major D. B. Douglass.
190. A report on the survey along the Allegheny, from the mouth of Kiskeminetas, to the mouth of French creek, by James Geddes, Esq.
191. A report on a survey of the North Branch of Susquehanna, by John Bennet, Esq.
192. Remarks on the North Branch survey, by judge Scott, a member of the board.

- No. 193. A report on the survey of the Northern route between the eastern and western waters, by James Geddes, Esq.
194. Reports on the survey of the Juniata route, by Canvass White and George T. Olmstead, Esq.
195. Extract from the minutes of the board in relation to the North Branch survey.
196. Report on the upper level of the eastern division of the Pennsylvania canal, by Wm Strickland, James Geddes, N. S. Roberts and Canvass White, engineers, in the service of the board.
197. Resolution of the board of canal commissioners to extend the eastern division of the Pennsylvania canal, to a point at the upper reef of Foster's falls, near Clark's ferry, and raise the level thereof, approved by the engineer, and consented to by the Governor.
198. Report of the committee appointed to superintend the subject of releases, on the proposed lines of communication between the eastern and western waters.

Which were read.

When,

On motion of Mr. Wise,

Ordered, That the said message, report and documents, be referred to the committee on inland navigation and internal improvement, and that two thousand copies of the same, in the English, and five hundred copies in the German language, be printed for the use of the members.

The bill No. 22, entitled "An act to authorise the laying out of a state road from Kutztown, in Berks county, to Mauch Chunk, in Northampton county," was read a second time, considered and adopted. And

Ordered To be transcribed for the third reading.

Agreeably to leave given,

The House again resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Beatty in the chair, on the bill, No. 197, entitled "An act to endow the house of refuge, and for other purposes therein mentioned."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with amendments.

Adjourned until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

THURSDAY, February 8, 1827.

Mr. Duncan presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of the city of Philadelphia, praying that the number of days of training, and the fines for non-attendance may be increased in the 1st brigade, 1st division, Pennsylvania militia.

Which was referred to the committee on the militia system.

Mr. Boyer presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Berks county, praying that an annual session of the supreme court may be held at Harrisburg.

Mr. Bonner presented a petition of like import with the foregoing, from sundry inhabitants of Adams county.

And the said petitions were referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

Mr. P. Stephens presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Susquehanna county, praying for the repeal of the act relative to collateral inheritances.

Mr. Martin presented seven petitions, of like import with the foregoing, from sundry inhabitants of Delaware county.

And the said petitions were referred to the committee of ways and means.

Mr. Snyder presented a memorial from the directors of the Kensington bank, in the county of Philadelphia, praying for certain alterations in their act of incorporation.

Which was referred to the committee on banks.

Mr. Ihrie presented a petition from the commissioners and viewers upon the river Delaware, praying for the removal of certain obstructions to the navigation of the said river, nearly opposite to Trenton.

Which was referred to Messrs. Ihrie, Boyd, Ramsey, Haines and Martin.

Mr. Rahn presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Schuylkill county, praying that the Schuylkill navigation company may be authorised to reduce the dimensions of their locks.

Which was referred to the committee on inland navigation and internal improvement.

Mr. Martin presented two remonstrances, of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of Middletown, Providence, Edgemont and Thornbury townships, in Delaware county, against the erection of a new election district within the bounds of the said townships.

Which were referred to the committee on election districts.

A motion was made by Mr. J. Miller, and read as follows, viz.

Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, That the Pennsylvania canal commissioners be, and they are hereby instructed to cause two of the most experienced engineers in the service of the board, to examine the Susquehanna river at Foster's falls, (if not already done satisfactorily to themselves,) and to report to the legislature the practicability and expense of constructing an aqueduct, with a bridge connected therewith, across the said river; also to examine the ground from the west side of the river, where the aqueduct would cross, up to the mouth of the Juniata, and thence up the south west side of the Juniata to the head of the Juniata falls, and report an estimate of the expense of constructing a canal along the said rivers, on the south west side thereof, from the point where the aqueduct would cross to the head of the Juniata falls. Also, the expense of constructing a dam across the Susquehanna, as contemplated by the commissioners in their second report to the Governor, the expense of a bridge and tow path opposite Duncan's island, the expense of continuing the canal on the east side of the Susquehanna, from the point where they terminated its location last summer, up to the proposed bridge at Duncan's island, and through the island up the north east side of the Juniata to the head of the Juniata falls, and also the expense of making any alterations in the turnpike road, which may be occasioned by constructing the canal on that side of the river, all of which they are hereby required to report to the present legislature, with the data on which their calculations may be founded.

Laid on the table.

A motion was made by Mr. M'Sherry, and read as follow, viz.

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to inquire into the expediency of allowing persons owning parts of a tract of land, held under a patent, the purchase money for which is secured by mortgage to the commonwealth, to pay their proportion of the money due on said mortgage, and that a certificate be granted by the proper officer, of said payment, and a discharge from said lien. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted. And

Ordered, That Messrs. M'Sherry, R. Miller, Becker, Boyer and Patterson, be a committee for the purpose therein expressed.

A motion was made by Mr. Alter, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That the committee on the judiciary system be instructed to inquire into the expediency of passing a law, authorising the clerks of the orphans' courts to enter on record the accounts of executors and administrators, which shall have been approved of by the register, and signed by all legally concerned, without going through the formality of passing the court, as is generally the practice. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

Mr. Shannon gave notice that on to-morrow he would ask leave to bring in a bill, entitled "An act for the relief and protection of executors and administrators."

Mr. F. Smith, from the committee on the judiciary system, made a report, (No. 199,) relative to refunding bonds, accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That the committee be discharged from any further consideration of the subject. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

Mr. F. Smith, from the committee on the judiciary system, reported the bills entitled as follow, viz.

No. 353, "An act to prohibit hereafter perpetual ground rents."

Which bill was read, and made the order of the day for Wednesday the 14th instant.

No. 354, "An act directing the manner of appropriating the proceeds of real estate sold by sheriffs and coroners."

Which bill was read, and made the order of the day for Thursday the 15th instant.

Mr. M'Bride, from the committee to whom was, on yesterday, referred that item of unfinished business, reported a bill,

No. 355, entitled "An act declaring the streets, lanes and alleys, in the town of Millinsburg, in Columbia county, public highways."

Mr. Scudder, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 2d ultimo, a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 356, entitled "An act authorising the heirs and legal representatives of Daniel Bumgarner, late of Northumberland county, to make sale or partition of the real estate of the said Daniel Bumgarner."

Mr. Atkinson, from the committee to whom was, on yesterday, referred a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 357, entitled "An act authorising the laying out of a state road from the town of Warren, in Warren county, in a direction of Kittanning, until it intersects the Bedford and Franklin road, at or near to Lawsonham, in Armstrong county."

Which bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

The bill No. 22, entitled "An act to authorise the laying out of a state road from Kutztown, in Berks county, to Mauch Chunk, in Northampton county," was read the third time and passed. And

Ordered; That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. M'Creery, the rule for going into a committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with, the bill No. 285, entitled "An act for the relief of George Hoffman, a revolutionary soldier, was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered to be transcribed for the third reading.

On motion of Mr. M'Creery, the rule which prohibits the reading of bills twice on the same day, being in this case dispensed with, the said bill was read the third time and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to leave given,

The House again resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr M'Creery in the chair, on the resolution from the Senate, No. 317, "For the further distribution of the pamphlet laws of this commonwealth."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the resolution with amendments. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted. And

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate, and request their concurrence in the amendments thereto by this House.

On motion of Mr. F. Smith, the resolution relative to debts due by turnpike road companies, read on yesterday, was read the second time, considered and adopted.

On motion of Mr. Rahn, the resolutions read on the 22d ultimo, requiring information from the Northampton and Easton banks, relative to the accounts of the Lehigh coal and navigation company, were read the second time.

And the first resolution being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Rahn, to amend the same by inserting after "House," in the 3d line, "on oath or affirmation."

Which was agreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Dillinger, further to amend the resolution by striking therefrom "20th February," and inserting in lieu thereof, "1st of March."

Which was agreed to.

A motion was made by Mr. Dillinger, further to amend the resolution by striking therefrom "to whom and the sum of each respectively."

Which was agreed to.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the resolution as amended?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Ellis and Mr. Rahn, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. Fackenthall	Mr. Matto
Alter	Farrell	H. Miller
Atkinson	W. Forster	J. Miller
Aughinbaugh	Gebhart	Overholzer
Barber	Hetrick	Patterson
G. Bell	Ihrle	Pearson
Bell, Leb.	James	Petrikina
Bell, West.	Kerr	Rahn
Boyer	Knight	Ramsey
Brown, Lan.	Lauman	Ringland
Buyers	Lawson	F. Smith
Cope	M'Bride	Snyder
Cummin	M'Clure	J. Stevens
Cunningham	M'Creery	Thomas
Denny	M'Reynolds	Tutwiler
Dorrance	Madden	Whitlatch
Eldred	Mathews, Cam.	Wise
Ellis	Matheys, Mont.	Woolverton
Evans	Mathewson	

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NAYS.

Mr. Beatty	Mr. Harrison	Mr. G. Miller
Binder	Hottenstein	R. Miller
Blair	Irwin	Scudder
Bonner	Kennedy	J. R. C. Smith
Boyd	Lehman	Thompson
Cooper	M'Ewen	Wilson
Dillinger	M'Sherry	Wolford
Dunlap	Martin	Ritner, Sp'r.
W. B. Foster	Meredith	

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So the question was determined in the affirmative.

The 2d resolution being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Rahn, to amend the same by striking therefrom "20th day of February," and inserting in lieu thereof "1st of March."

Which was agreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Ellis, further to amend the resolution, by inserting after "respectively," in the 6th line, "and payee's names."

Which was agreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Rahn, further to amend the resolution, by inserting after "House," in the 3d line, "on oath or affirmation."

Which was agreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Ellis, further to amend the resolution, by adding thereto these words, "with the amount of the claims of such payees at the times the checks or drafts were issued."

Which was agreed to.

And the resolution as amended was adopted.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, presented for concurrence the bills entitled as follow, viz.

No. 358, "An act to enable the Governor to incorporate a company for making an artificial road from the borough of Mercer, in the county of Mercer, through Greenville, to the line of the state of Ohio, at William Mossman's, in a direction to the town of Kinsman's, in the county of Trumbull, in the state of Ohio."

No. 359. "An act for the relief of Mary Lemmonton and Margaret Blattenberger, widows of revolutionary soldiers."

Which bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

He returned the bill No. 16, entitled "An act to improve a certain public road in Union and Centre counties, commonly called the Brush Valley Narrows, and to improve the road from Bedford to Armagh."

And gave information,

That the Senate have passed said bill with amendments, in which the concurrence of the House of Representatives is requested.

The amendments by the Senate to the first section of the said bill were considered and concurred in.

The amendments to the second section were considered and non-concurred in. And

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate of the same.

Adjourned until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

FRIDAY, February 9, 1827.

The Secretary of the Commonwealth being introduced, presented a message (No. 200) from the Governor, accompanied with sundry documents relative to the report of the canal commissioners, (for which see Journal of the 7th inst.)

Which were read, and

Laid on the table.

Mr. Meredith presented the petition of Benjamin Hunter, of the county of Philadelphia, stating his services in the revolutionary war, and praying relief.

Which was referred to the committee on claims.

Mr. Gebhart presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Somerset county, praying for an appropriation in aid of improving the state road from Uniontown to Pittsburg.

Mr. Knight presented the petition of Judith Williams, of the county of Philadelphia, accompanied with a document, praying that a certain escheated estate therein mentioned, may be vested in her.

Mr. Alter presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Cumberland county, against changing the times of holding the courts in the said county.

Mr. Irwin presented a memorial from sundry inhabitants of the western part of this state, praying that measures may be taken for the abolition of slavery in the United States.

Mr. Shannon presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Beaver and Mercer counties; praying that a state road may be laid out from Mercer to Dawson's ferry, on the Ohio river.

And the said petitions, document, memorial and remonstrance, were

Laid on the table.

Mr. Gebhart presented three petitions, of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of Southampton township, Somerset county, praying that the place of holding their general elections may be changed to the house of Daniel Leply.

Mr. Martin presented three petitions, of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of Delaware county, praying that Aston, Bethel, and Upper Chichester townships, may be erected into a separate election district, and the elections thereof held at the Seven Stars, in Aston township.

And the said petitions were referred to the committee on election districts.

Mr. Alter presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Cumberland county, praying for authority to erect a house for the employment and support of the poor of the said county.

Which was referred to Messrs. Alter, Wolford and Bell of Lebanon.

Mr. Boyer presented a petition from sundry creditors and stockholders of the Centre turnpike road company, praying that the provisions of the act of the 1st of April, 1823, relative to the Harrisburg, Carlisle and Chambersburg turnpike road, may be extended to the said company.

Which was referred to Messrs. Boyer, Farrell and Tutwiler.

Mr. Kennedy presented two petitions, of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of Northampton county, praying for an appropriation in aid of improving the road across Godfrey's mountain.

Which were referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

Mr. Binder presented two petitions, of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of the city and county of Philadelphia, praying for certain alterations in the law relative to the inspection of flour.

Which were referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

A motion was made by Mr. Overholzer, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That the committee on the judiciary system be instructed to inquire into the expediency of passing a law to vest the estate of a woman in her illegitimate child, provided she dies without lawful issue.

And, on motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

Mr. Matts and Mr. Matheys, of Montgomery, obtained leave of absence for a few days from Monday next.

Mr. Hetrick obtained leave of absence for a few days.

Mr. M'Creery, from the committee on claims, made a report, (No. 201,) relative to the claim of Jacob Richart, accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That the committee be discharged from the further consideration of the subject. And,

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

Mr. M'Creery, from the committee on claims, made a report, (No. 202,) relative to the claim of Catharine Clark, accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That the committee be discharged from any further consideration of the subject, and that the petitioner have leave to withdraw her petition and documents. And,

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

Mr. M'Sherry, from the committee appointed for the purpose on yesterday, reported a bill,

No. 360, entitled "An act relative to the discharge of mortgages filed in the land office."

Which bill was read, and made the order of the day for Thursday, the 22d inst.

Mr. J. Miller, from the committee to whom were referred sundry petitions on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 361, entitled "An act to authorise the erection of fish dams and fish baskets, in the rivers Susquehanna and Juniata and their branches, under certain regulations and restrictions."

Mr. J. Miller, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 2d instant, a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 362, entitled "An act to authorise the directors of the poor and house of employment of the county of Perry, to convey the title of a certain piece of land therein mentioned, and also to receive a conveyance for a certain piece of land herein described."

Which bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

Mr. Cooper, from the committee to whom were referred sundry petitions on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 363, entitled "A supplement to an act regulating the proceedings of justices of the peace and aldermen, in cases of trespass, trover and rent."

Which bill was read, and made the order of the day for Monday the 19th instant.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, presented for concurrence the bills entitled as follow, viz.

No. 364, "A supplement to the act, entitled An act for the relief of Samuel Richards and Moses M'Cormick, and to authorise Daniel Beckley and others to convey a lot of ground."

No. 365, "An act to incorporate the Union academy at Doylestown."

No. 366, "A further supplement to the act, entitled An act for holding special courts of common pleas."

Which bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

He returned the bills entitled as follow, viz.

No. 19, "An act establishing an academy in the town of Clearfield."

No. 196, "A supplement to an act, entitled An act to protect the public in the full benefit and enjoyment of the works constructed for the purposes of inland navigation."

And gave information,

That the Senate have passed said bills without amendment.

And gave further information,

That the Senate recede from their amendments, non-concurred in by the House of Representatives, to the bill from the House of Representatives, No. 16, entitled "An act to improve a certain public road in Union and Centre counties, commonly called the Brush Valley Narrows, and to improve the road from Bedford to Armagh."

The House resumed the second reading of the bill No. 104, entitled "An act granting a premium to the children of the poor of this commonwealth, for good conduct and improvement in school learning."

The first section recurring,

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment to the amendment?

It was determined in the negative.

And the amendment was disagreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Dunlap, further to amend the section by striking therefrom "sixty-two and an half," and inserting in lieu thereof "fifty."

Which was disagreed to.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the first section?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Bonner and Mr. G. Miller, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Alter	Mr. Brown, Allegh.	Mr. Fackenthall
Beatty	Cummin	W. B. Foster
Bell, Leb.	Cunningham	Gebhart
Bell, West.	Denny	Harrison
Binder	Duncan	Ihrie
Bonsall	Eldred	Irwin

YEAS.

Mr. Kennedy
Knight
M'Creery
M'Reynolds
Mathewson
Matts

Mr. J. Miller
Pearson
Petrikin
Rahn
Ringland

Mr. Snyder
P. Stephens
Thomas
Tutwiler
Ritner, *Sp'r.*

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NAYS.

Mr. Agnew
Aughinbaugh
Barber
Becker
Bertolet
Bonner
Boyd
Boyer
Brown, Lan.
Buyers
Cooper
Cope
Dillinger
Dunlap

Mr. Evans
Hottenstein
James
Kerr
Lauhan
Lehman
M'Bride
M'Ewen
M'Sherry
Martin
Mathews, Cam.
Matheys, Mont.
Meredith

Mr. G. Miller
H. Miller
R. Miller
Overholzer
Patterson
Ramsey
J. R. C. Smith
J. Stevens
Thompson
Whitlatch
Wilson
Wise
Wolford

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So the question was determined in the negative.

The bill No. 197, entitled "An act to endow the House of Refuge, and for other purposes therein mentioned," was read the second time.

And the first section being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Bonner, to amend the same by striking therefrom these words, "And moreover shall draw his warrant on the State Treasurer, in favor of the said treasurer, for the further sum of two thousand five hundred dollars, on or before the 1st day of January next, and so for a like sum on or before the 1st day of January, one thousand eight hundred and twenty-nine."

Which was disagreed to.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the first section?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Wise and Mr. Alter, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Atkinson
Beatty
G. Bell
Binder
Bonner
Bonsall
Boyd
Cummin

Mr. Cunningham
Denny
Duncan
Ellis
Fackenthall
W. B. Foster
Haines
Harrison

Mr. Irwin
Knight
Lehman
M'Ewen
M'Sherry
Martin
Matheys, Mont.
Matts

YEAS.

Mr. Meredith
R. Miller
Patterson
Pearson
Petrikin

Ramsey
Scudder
J. R. C. Smith
Snyder
J. Stevens

Mr. Thompson
Tutwiler
Woolverton
Ritner, *Sp'r.*

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NAYS.

Mr. Agnew
Alter
Aughinbaugh
Becker
Bell, Leb.
Bell, West.
Bertolet
Boyer
Brown, Allegh.
Brown, Lan.
Buyers
Cooper
Cope
Dillinger
Dunlap

Mr. Evans
Farrell
W. Forster
Gebhart
Hottenstein
Ihrig
James
Kennedy
Kerr
Lauman
M'Bride
M'Clure
M'Creery
M Reynolds
Madden

Mr. Mathews, Cam.
G. Miller
H. Miller
J. Miller
Overholzer
Rahn
Rankin
Ringland
F. Smith
Thomas
Whitlatch
Wilson
Wise
Wofford

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So the question was determined in the negative.

The second section was considered and agreed to.

The third section being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Knight, to amend the same by inserting after "thereafter," in the 4th line, "for the term of five years."

Which was agreed to.

And the section as amended was agreed to.

The fourth section being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Ellis, to postpone the further consideration of the same, together with the bill, for the present.

Which was agreed to.

Agreeably to leave given,

The House again resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Mathews of Cambria in the chair, on the bill No 47, entitled "An act to incorporate the trustees of the American Sunday School Union."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

Leave was granted. And

Ordered, That the committee of the whole sit again this afternoon.

Adjourned until 3 o'clock this afternoon.

SAME DAY.

On motion of Mr. M'Creery,

The amendments by the Senate to the bill No. 12, entitled "A supplement to an act relative to state roads therein mentioned, passed 5th April, 1826." were read the second time, considered and concurred in. And

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate of the same.

Agreeably to leave given,

The House again resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Mathews of Cambria in the chair, on the bill No. 47, entitled "An act to incorporate the trustees of the American Sunday School Union."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the first section of the bill negatived.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the report of the committee of the whole?

A motion was made by Mr. Meredith, to postpone the question, together with the bill, for the present.

Which was agreed to.

Adjourned until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

SATURDAY, February 10, 1827.

The Speaker laid before the House a report (No. 203,) of the commissioners for the erection of a penitentiary near Philadelphia.

Which was read, and

Laid on the table.

Mr. Duncan presented two memorials, of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of the city of Philadelphia, praying that the days of training and fines for non-attendance, may be increased in the 1st brigade, 1st division, Pennsylvania militia.

Which were referred to the committee on the militia system.

Mr. Duncan presented the memorial of Jesse Torrey, jun. of the county of Philadelphia, accompanied with documents, stating that

he is the compiler of certain moral elementary school books, and praying legislative patronage.

Mr. Lauman presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Dauphin county, praying that the commissioners of the said county may be authorised to establish, in the borough of Harrisburg, a Lancasterian School, for the purpose of teaching the poor, gratis.

Which were referred to the committee on education.

Mr. Pearson presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of the county of Philadelphia, praying for the repeal or modification of the law relative to dry measures.

Mr. Knight presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Oxford and Lower Dublin townships, in the county of Philadelphia, against alterations in the law relative to granting tavern licenses in the said townships.

Mr. Agnew presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Lancaster county, praying for the passage of a law laying a tax on dogs in the said county.

Mr J. Stevens presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Montgomery county, praying for certain alterations in the law relative to weights and measures.

And the said petitions and remonstrance were

Laid on the table.

Mr. Harrison presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Bucks county, praying for the repeal of the act relative to collateral inheritances.

Mr. Martin presented two petitions, of like import with the foregoing, from sundry inhabitants of Delaware county.

Mr. Gebhart presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Somerset county, praying for authority to raise money by way of lottery, in aid of paying the debts of certain turnpike roads.

Mr. Tutwiler presented a petition, of like import with the foregoing, from sundry inhabitants of Bedford county.

And the said petitions were referred to the committee of ways and means.

Mr M'Clure presented two petitions, of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of Lycoming county, praying for an appropriation in aid of improving the road from Knox's mill to the Block house.

Which were referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

Mr. M'Clure presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Tioga county, praying for the incorporation of the Tioga coal and iron company.

Which was referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

Mr. Boyer presented the petition of Jacob Boyer, of Berks county, praying for the passage of a law authorising an issue to try his right to the informer's share of the escheated estate of Henry Bohn, deceased.

Which was referred to the committee on the judiciary system.

Mr. M'Clure presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of the borough of Jersey Shore, in Lycoming county, praying for authority to elect a constable for the said borough.

Which was referred to Messrs. M'Clure, Brown of Lancaster, and Patterson.

Mr. Farrell presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Westmoreland county, praying that the turnpike roads in this state may be converted into free roads.

Which was

Laid on the table.

Mr. Evans presented the petition of Edward Hector, of Montgomery county, accompanied with documents, stating his services in the revolutionary war, and praying relief.

Which were referred to the committee on claims.

A motion was made by Mr. Snyder, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That the committee on the militia system be instructed to inquire into the expediency of exempting from the payment of militia fines, for the ordinary days of training, all active members of the fire associations in the city and county of Philadelphia.

And, on motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

On motion of Mr. Irwin,

Ordered, That the memorial presented on yesterday, relative to the abolition of slavery, be referred to Messrs. Irwin, Beatty, Bertolef, Atkinson and Duncan.

A motion was made by Mr. Irwin, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That the committee to whom was referred, on the 29th of January last, the bill from the Senate, No. 242, entitled "An act abolishing the Middle, Southern and Lancaster districts of the supreme court, be discharged from the further consideration of the subject, and that the same be referred to a select committee."

Laid on the table.

A motion was made by Mr. Rahn, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That the Speaker draw his warrant on the State Treasurer, in favour of John S. Wiestling, printer of the English Journal of this House, for the sum of six hundred dollars, to be accounted for in the settlement of his account.

And, on motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

A motion was made by Mr. Denny, and read as follows, viz.

Whereas, extensive and numerous establishments have been erected, at considerable expense, in various parts of the United States, for the purpose of manufacturing salt, by which employment is given to a vast amount of the capital and industry of our fellow citizens: *And whereas*, from the progressive development of the resources of our country, and its rapid improvement,

this important and valuable article is now known to exist in inexhaustible quantities, in almost every section of the union,

Therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, in General Assembly met, That our senators be instructed, and the representatives of the people of this commonwealth, in the congress of the United States, be requested, to use their utmost efforts to prevent the passage of a law repealing the duty on salt.

Laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. G. Bell,

Ordered, That an item of unfinished business, relative to incorporating the Milesburg and Smethport turnpike road company, be referred to Messrs. G. Bell, Thomas and Madden.

Mr. Wolford and Mr. J. Miller obtained leave of absence for a few days.

Mr. Dillinger, from the committee appointed to compare bills, and present them to the Governor for his approbation, made report, which was read as follows, viz.

That in conjunction with a similar committee from the Senate, they have compared, and on this day presented to the Governor for his approbation, the bills entitled as follow, to wit:

A supplement to the act, entitled An act to provide for the education of children at the public expense, within the city and county of Philadelphia, passed the third day of March, one thousand eight hundred and eighteen.

A supplement to the act, entitled An act to protect the public in the full benefit and enjoyment of the works constructed for the purpose of inland navigation.

A supplement to an act, relative to state roads therein mentioned, passed the fifth day of March, eighteen hundred and twenty-six.

An act to improve a certain public road in Union and Centre counties, commonly called the Brush Valley Narrows, and to improve the road from Bedford to Armagh.

An act establishing an academy in the town of Clearfield.

And also,

Resolution relative to the further distribution of Purdon's digest.

Laid on the table.

Mr. Boyer, from the committee to whom was, on yesterday, referred a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 368, entitled "An act for the relief of the creditors of the Centre turnpike road, leading from Reading to Sunbury."

Mr. Dunlap, from the committee to whom were referred sundry petitions on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 369, entitled "An act to authorise the laying out a state road from the west end of the Harrisburg bridge, through Lee's gap, to intersect a certain public road, at or near Jacob Seidle's mill, in Perry county.

On leave given,

Mr. Harrison, from the committee of ways and means, reported a bill,

No. 370, entitled "An act authorising the Governor of this commonwealth, to purchase from James Herriott seven hundred and eighty shares of stock in the Susquehanna and Waterford turnpike road."

Which bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

Pursuant to notice,

Mr. Shannon asked leave to bring in a bill, entitled "An act for the relief and protection of executors and administrators."

Which was granted. And,

Ordered, That the committee on the judiciary system be a committee to prepare and bring in a bill accordingly.

On motion of Mr. Meredith,

The House resumed the consideration of the bill No. 140, entitled "A supplement to an act, entitled An act to regulate arbitrations and proceedings in courts of justice."

And the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the report of the committee of the whole?

It was determined in the affirmative.

Agreeably to leave given,

The House again resolved itself into a committee of the whole. Mr. Irwin in the chair, on the bill No. 17, entitled "An act granting compensation to the executors of the estate of Thomas Livezey, for tracts of land certified to Connecticut claimants, in the seven-teen townships of the county of Luzerne."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

Leave was granted. And

Ordered, That the committee of the whole sit again on Thursday the 15th instant.

Agreeably to the order of the day,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Bonsall in the chair, on the bill No. 237, entitled "An act for the better preservation of the records contained in the public offices of the several counties in this commonwealth."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill without amendment.

Agreeably to the order of the day,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Matheys of Montgomery, in the chair, on the bill No. 257, entitled "An act more effectually to prevent nuisances on turnpike roads within this commonwealth."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

When a motion was made by Mr. Meredith,

That the committee of the whole be discharged from the further consideration of the said bill, and that the same be recommitted to the committee who reported it,—and that four members be added to the committee.

Which was agreed to. And

Ordered, That Messrs. Meredith, Kerr, Wise and Harrison, be of the committee.

Agreeably to the order of the day,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Lauman in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 303, entitled "An act concerning weights and measures."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill without amendment.

Adjourned until 10 o'clock on Monday morning next.



MONDAY, February 12, 1827.

The Secretary of the Commonwealth being introduced, presented a message from the Governor, which was read as follows, viz.

To the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

GENTLEMEN,

I have this day approved and signed the following acts of the General Assembly, and directed the Secretary of the Commonwealth to return them to the House of Representatives, in which they originated, viz.

A supplement to an act relative to state roads therein mentioned, passed the fifth of April, eighteen hundred and twenty-six.

A supplement to the act, entitled An act to provide for the education of children at the public expense within the city and county of Philadelphia, passed the 3d day of March, one thousand eight hundred and eighteen.

A supplement to an act, entitled An act to protect the public in the full benefit and enjoyment of the works constructed for the purposes of inland navigation.

An act establishing an academy in the town of Clearfield.

An act to improve a certain public road in Union and Centre

counties, commonly called the Brush Valley Narrows, and to improve the road from Bedford to Armagh.

A resolution relative to the further distribution of Purdon's digest.

J. ANDW. SHULZE.

Harrisburg, February 12, 1827.

Laid on the table.

Mr. J. R. C. Smith presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Philadelphia, praying that the members of fire companies may be exempted from the performance of militia duty in time of peace.

Mr. Meredith presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of the city of Philadelphia, praying for certain alterations in the militia law, so far as it respects the 1st brigade, 1st division, Pennsylvania militia.

Mr. Bonsall presented two petitions, of like import with the foregoing.

Mr. Lehman presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Philadelphia, praying for certain alterations in the militia law, so far as respects the 1st division Pennsylvania militia.

And the said petitions were referred to the committee on the militia system.

Mr. Boyd presented a petition from the Farmers' and Mechanics' bank of the city of Philadelphia, praying for certain alterations in their act of incorporation.

Mr. Harrison presented three petitions, of similar tenor, from sundry citizens of this commonwealth, praying for the passage of a law to prevent the distillation of grain or meal on the east side of the Susquehanna river.

Mr. Dillinger presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Lehigh county, praying for an appropriation in aid of the erection of a bridge across the river Schuylkill, at Hamburg.

Mr. Boyer presented two petitions, of like import with the foregoing, from sundry inhabitants of Berks county.

Mr. Farrell presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Westmoreland county, against increasing the public debt for the purpose of making the Pennsylvania canal.

Mr. Bonsall presented a petition from sundry stockholders of the Mechanics' bank of the city and county of Philadelphia, praying for certain alterations in their act of incorporation.

Mr. Overholzer presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Lancaster county, against laying out a state road from the widow Blasters' tavern to Shaefferstown.

Mr. Bell of Lebanon presented a remonstrance of like import with the foregoing, from sundry inhabitants of Lebanon county.

Mr. Irwin presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Fayette county, praying that the courts of quarter sessions may be authorised to regulate ferriages in the said county.

Mr. Hottenstein presented a memorial from sundry inhabitants of Berks county, remonstrating against the construction of the

Pennsylvania canal, and praying for the repeal of the act relative to collateral inheritances.

Mr. J. Stevens presented five remonstrances, of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of Montgomery and Berks counties, against the laying out of a state road from Pottstown to Trexler's store.

And the said petitions, memorial and remonstrances were
Laid on the table.

Mr. Binder presented sundry documents relative to the claim of Dorothea Schaeffer.

Which were referred to the committee on claims.

Mr. Haines presented a memorial from justice Walton, of Chester county, remonstrating against his removal from office.

Mr. Haines presented three remonstrances, of like import with the foregoing, from sundry inhabitants of Chester county.

Which were referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

Mr. Ihrie presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Toamensing township, Northampton county, praying that the place of holding their general elections may be changed to the house of John D. Bowman the younger.

Mr. Ihrie presented three petitions, of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of Bethlehem and Hanover townships, Northampton county, praying that the place of holding their general elections may be changed to the house of Philip Correll.

And the said petitions were referred to the committee on election districts.

Mr. Eldred presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Pike county, praying for the construction of a canal from Saw-mill rift to the tide water of the Delaware river.

Which was referred to the committee on inland navigation and internal improvement.

Mr. M'Clure presented two petitions, of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of Tioga county, praying for the incorporation of the Tioga coal and iron company.

Which were referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

Mr. Atkinson presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Crawford county, praying that the taxes on certain unseated lands in Crawford and Warren counties, may be appropriated in aid of improving the state road from Meadville to the northern boundary of the state.

Which was referred to Messrs. Atkinson, Lawson and Meredith.

Mr. Atkinson presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Crawford county, praying that Muddy creek may be declared a public highway, and also for an appropriation in aid of improving the navigation of the said creek.

Which was referred to Messrs. Atkinson, Rankin and Woolverton.

Mr. Martin presented three petitions, of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of Delaware county, praying for the repeal of the act relative to collateral inheritances.

Which were referred to the committee of ways and means.

A motion was made by Mr. Cunningham, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That the committee on the judiciary system be instructed to inquire into the expediency of making provision, by law, for the publication of the decisions of the supreme court of this commonwealth.

And on motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

On motion of Mr. Harrison,

Ordered, That an item of unfinished business, relative to erecting a part of Bucks county into a separate county, be referred to Messrs. Harrison, Kerr and Cummin.

On motion of Mr. Cunningham,

Ordered, That an item of unfinished business, relative to the claim of Joseph Junkin, be referred to the committee on claims.

Mr. Fackenthall obtained leave of absence for a few days.

Mr. Gebhart obtained leave to withdraw the petition and documents of George Keller.

Mr. M'Creery, from the committee on claims, made a report, (No. 204.) relative to the claim of Benjamin Hunter, accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That the committee be discharged from any further consideration of the subject. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

Mr. Harrison, from the committee of ways and means, reported a bill,

No. 371, entitled "An act further to continue An act to incorporate the subscribers to the Bank of Pennsylvania, and for other purposes."

Which bill was read, and made the first order of the day for Wednesday the 14th instant.

Mr. Boyer, from the committee on election districts, reported a bill,

No. 372, entitled "An act authorising the election of an additional constable in the township of South Huntingdon, in Westmoreland county"

Mr. Thomas, from the committee on the militia system, reported a bill,

No. 373, entitled "An act for the relief of Nathaniel Patterson, inspector of the 1st brigade, 18th division, Pennsylvania militia."

Which bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

Mr. Scudder, from the committee to whom was committed the bill from the Senate, No. 242, entitled, "An act abolishing the middle, southern and Lancaster districts of the supreme court, and establishing one at Harrisburg, reported the bill as committed, accompanied with a report, (No. 205.)

Which were read, and

Laid on the table.

Mr. Meredith, from the committee appointed for the purpose, reported the bills entitled as follow, viz

No. 374, "An act for the inspection of beef and pork."

No. 375. "A supplement to the several acts for the inspection of staves and heading."

Which bills were read, and made the order of the day for Monday the 26th instant.

Mr. Eldred, from the committee to whom were referred sundry petitions on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 376, entitled "An act to improve a certain public road crossing Godfrey's mountain, between Stroudsburg and the Delaware water gap, in Northampton county."

Mr. Dorrance, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 7th instant, a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 377, entitled "An act to annul the marriage contract of Christian Brown and Ann his wife."

Which bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Denny,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Madden in the chair, on the resolution No. 367, relative to the duty on salt.

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

Leave was granted. And

Ordered, That the committee of the whole sit again on this afternoon

Adjourned until 3 o'clock this afternoon.

SAME DAY.

Agreeably to leave given,

The House again resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Madden in the chair, on the resolution No. 367, relative to the duty on salt.

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the resolution with amendments. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time.

And being under consideration.

A motion was made by Mr. Meredith, to amend the same by striking therefrom these words, "use their utmost efforts to prevent the passage of a law repealing the duty on salt."

And on the question,

Will the House agree so to amend?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Meredith and Mr. Bertolet, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Agnew
Bertolet
Bonner
Boyd
Boyer
Brown, Lan.
Buyers
Cooper
Cope

Mr. Dillinger
Evans
Harrison
Ihrie
Kennedy
Lauman
M'Ewen
M'Sherry

Mr. Meredith
G. Miller
R. Miller
Overholzer
Ramsey
Snyder
J. Stevens
Thompson

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NAYS.

Mr. Atkinson
Aughinbaugh
Barber
Beatty
Becker
G. Bell
Bell Leb.
Bell, West.
Binder
Bonsall
Brown, Allegh.
Cummin
Cunningham
Denny
Dorrance
Duncan
Ellis
Farrell

Mr. W. Forster
W. B. Foster
Gebhart
Good
Haines
Irwin
James
Kerr
Knight
Lawson
Lehman
M'Bride
M'Clure
M'Creery
M'Reynolds
Madden
Martin
H. Miller

Mr. Patterson
Pearson
Pennypacker
Petrikin
Rahn
Ringland
Scudder
Shannon
F. Smith
Thomas
Tutwiler
Whitlatch
Wilson
Wise
Wolfersberger
Woolverton
Ritner, Sp'r.

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So the question was determined in the negative.

And the first resolution was adopted.

The second resolution and preamble were severally considered and adopted. And

Ordered, That the Clerk present the said resolutions to the Senate for concurrence

The bill No. 237, entitled "An act for the better preservation of the records contained in the public offices of the several counties in this commonwealth," was read the second time.

And the first and second sections were severally considered and agreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. M'Creery, to amend the bill by adding thereto the following new section, viz.

Section 3 *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That it shall be the duty of the recorders of deeds, of the several counties in this commonwealth, to make or cause to be made an *ad sectum* index of the deeds recorded in their respective offices, where the same has not already been done, for which service they shall receive a reasonable compensation, to be paid by orders drawn by the commissioners on the treasurer of the proper county, in the usual manner.

Which was agreed to.

The title was considered and agreed to. And

Ordered, That the bill be transcribed for the third reading.

The bill from the Senate No. 503, entitled "An act concerning weights and measures," was read the second time.

And the first section being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Snyder, to postpone the same, together with the bill, until this day week.

Which was disagreed to.

A motion was made by Mr. Snyder, to amend the section by adding thereto the following proviso, viz.

Provided, This act shall not take effect until the first day of May next.

Which was disagreed to.

And the section was agreed to.

The title was considered and agreed to. And

Ordered, That the bill be prepared for the third reading.

On motion of Mr. Irwin,

The House again resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Kennedy in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 242, entitled "An act abolishing the middle, southern and Lancaster districts of the supreme court, and establishing one at Harrisburg."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with amendments.

Agreeably to the order of the day,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Ihrie in the chair, on the bill No. 305, entitled "An act supplementary to an act to alter and amend the fee bill."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Leave was granted. And

Ordered, That the committee of the whole sit again on Monday the 19th instant.

Adjourned until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

TUESDAY, February 13, 1827.

The Speaker laid before the House a report, (No. 206,) of the commissioners of the internal improvement fund.

Which was read.

When, on motion of Mr. Harrison,

Ordered, That the same be referred to the committee of ways and means.

Mr. M'Creery presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Washington and Allegheny counties, praying that a state road may be laid out from Ramsav's ford, in Allegheny county, to the Virginia state line, in a direction to Wheeling.

Mr. Dillinger presented eight petitions, of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of Bucks county, praying that a part of the said county may be annexed to Lehigh county.

Mr. M'Sherry presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Adams county, praying for the passage of a law authorising the owners of parts of tracts of land mortgaged to the commonwealth, to pay their proportion of the amount due, and obtain a discharge of the lien.

Mr. Krepps presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Fayette county, praying that the courts of quarter sessions may be authorised to regulate ferriages in the said county.

Mr. Bonsall presented the memorial of William Poole, of the city of Philadelphia, stating that he is unable to recover a certain sum of money from the incorporated Perry beneficial society of Pennsylvania, and praying legislative interference.

And the said petitions and memorial were

Laid on the table.

Mr. Denny presented the petition of Sarah Woods, of Allegheny county, accompanied with documents, praying for the passage of a law to authorise the issuing of a patent to her for certain lots of ground, in the reserved tract opposite to Pittsburg.

Which were referred to the members from the said county.

Mr. Harrison presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Bucks county, praying for the passage of the bill for the division of the said county, with a provision that the same shall not go into operation until sanctioned by a majority of the votes of the people of said county, to be taken at the next general election.

Which was referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

Mr. Bonner presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of the borough of Gettysburg, in Adams county, praying for certain alterations in their act of incorporation.

Which was referred to Messrs. Bonner, G. Miller and Thompson.

Mr. Good presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Berks county, praying for certain alterations in the law incorporating the Schuylkill navigation company.

Which was referred to Messrs. Good, Evans and Eldred.

Mr. W. Forster presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Union township, Union county, praying that the place of holding their general elections may be changed to New Berlin.

Mr. Mathewson presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of part of Franklin township, Bradford county, praying that the place of holding their general elections may be changed.

And the said petitions were referred to the committee on election districts.

Mr. Atkinson presented a petition from the commissioners of Venango county, praying for the payment of certain taxes on lands, late the property of Dickinson college.

Which was referred to Messrs. Atkinson, Lawson and Blair.

Mr. Thomas presented two petitions, of similar tenor, from sundry citizens of this commonwealth, praying for the construction of a canal from Peter's mountain, up the Susquehanna river, to the northern line of the state,

Which were referred to the committee on inland navigation and internal improvement.

Mr. Boyer presented the petition of Henry Betz, of Berks county, accompanied with documents, praying that the amount of a certain account passed to the credit of the brigade inspector of the said county, on the books of the Auditor General, may be paid to him.

Which were referred to the committee on the militia system.

Mr. Mathewson presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Franklin township, Bradford county, praying for the repeal of the act appropriating the tax on unseated lands, in aid of improving the road from Pennsboro' to Towanda, so far as relates to the said township.

Which was referred to Messrs. Mathewson, Thomas and Ellis;

A motion was made by Mr. F. Smith, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to bring in a bill, to suspend for the period of three years, so much of the provisions of the act passed 22d March, 1820, and the act passed 8th April, 1826, as authorises suits to be brought, for money due the commonwealth, against the holders of lands, by virtue of locations, warrants or other office titles, under the proprietary government, or under this commonwealth.

Laid on the table.

Mr. F. Smith and Mr. Aughinbaugh obtained leave of absence for a few days from to-morrow.

Mr. F. Smith, from the committee on the judiciary system, reported a bill,

No. 378, entitled "An act supplementary to an act passed the 28th day of March, 1814, entitled An act making provision for

the travelling expenses of the presidents and associate judges of the courts of common pleas."

Which bill was read, and made the order of the day for Tuesday the 20th instant.

Mr. Beatty, from the committee to whom were referred sundry petitions on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 379, entitled "An act authorising a state road to be laid out from the town of Butler, in Butler county, to the town of Freeport, in Armstrong county."

Which bill was read, and

Laid on the table.

Mr. Irwin, from the committee to whom were referred, on the 20th ultimo, the Governor's message and accompanying documents, on leave given, reported the bills entitled as follow, viz.

No. 380, "A supplement to the act incorporating the Chesapeake and Ohio canal company."

Which bill was read, and made the order of the day for Monday the 26th instant.

No. 381, "An act authorising a subscription to the stock of the Chesapeake and Ohio canal company."

Which bill was read, and made the order of the day for the 2d Monday of March next.

Mr. Cunningham, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 23d ultimo, a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 382, entitled "An act to authorise the laying out a state road from the borough of Mercer, in Mercer county, to Dawson's ferry, on the Ohio river, in Beaver county."

Which bill was read, and

Laid on the table.

Mr. Lawson, from the committee appointed on the 7th instant, made a report, (No. 207,) relative to the tolls of turnpike road companies, accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That the Auditor General be instructed to address a circular to the treasurer, president or managers of the several turnpike road companies, in which the state holds stock, requesting the necessary information in relation thereto.

Laid on the table.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, presented for concurrence the bills entitled as follow, viz.

No. 383, "An act to extend the boundaries of Union county."

No. 384, "An act for the relief of William Alexander, late a supervisor of Spring township, in the county of Centre"

No. 385, "An act for the relief of the sureties of William Hamilton, deceased."

Which bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

The bill No. 237, entitled "An act for the better preservation of the records contained in the public offices of the several counties in this commonwealth," was read the third time and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

The bill from the Senate No. 303, entitled "An act concerning weights and measures," was read the third time and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate.

The bill from the Senate No. 242, entitled "An act abolishing the middle, southern and Lancaster districts of the supreme court, and establishing one at Harrisburg," was read the second time.

When a motion was made by Mr. Irwin, to postpone the further consideration of the same until Tuesday the 20th instant.

Which was agreed to.

The House resumed the second reading of the bill No. 165, postponed on the 20th ultimo, entitled "An act for the protection of vineyards."

And the first section recurring,

On the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment.

It was determined in the affirmative.

And the first section was disagreed to.

On motion of Mr. Meredith, the bill No. 60, entitled "An act providing a mode of enforcing the payment of monies charged on any lands, tenements or hereditaments by last will or testament," was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered To be transcribed for the third reading.

Agreeably to the order of the day,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Bertolet in the chair, on the bill No. 282, entitled "A supplement to an act, entitled An act for the sale of vacant lands within this commonwealth."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill without amendment.

Agreeably to the order of the day,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Shannon in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 318, entitled "A further supplement to the act, entitled An act to establish a board of wardens for the port of Philadelphia, and for the regulation of pilots and pilotages, and for other purposes therein mentioned."

And after some time,

The speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Leave was granted. And

Ordered, That the committee of the whole sit again on Tuesday the 20th instant.

Agreeably to the order of the day,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Scudder in the chair, on the bill No. 330, entitled "An act concerning commissioners of counties."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Leave was granted. And

Ordered, That the committee of the whole sit again on the first Monday of March next.

Adjourned until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.



WEDNESDAY, February 14, 1827.

Mr. Binder presented a petition from sundry freeholders, and other inhabitants, of the county of Philadelphia, praying for certain alterations in the road laws.

Which was referred to Messrs. Binder, Lawson and Penny-packer.

Mr. Kennedy presented two petitions, of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of Northampton county, praying for a division of the said county.

Mr. Ihrie presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Northampton county, against a division of the said county.

Mr. Brown of Lancaster presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Lancaster county, praying for the passage of a law laying a tax on dogs in the said county.

Mr. M'Reynolds presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Columbia county, against laying out a state road from Pennsborough to Berwick.

Mr. Bonsall presented a remonstrance from sundry lottery brokers of Philadelphia, against the passage of an act licensing the venders of lottery tickets.

And the said petitions and remonstrances were

Laid on the table.

Mr. Eldred presented the petition of Elijah Peck and Elizabeth Peck, of Wayne county, accompanied with documents, praying for the confirmation of the marriage entered into by them.

Which were referred to Messrs. Eldred, Thompson and Woolverton.

Mr. Meredith presented two petitions, of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of the city of Philadelphia, praying for certain alterations in the militia law, so far as it respects the 1st brigade, 1st division, Pennsylvania militia.

Mr. Bonsall presented two petitions, of like import with the foregoing.

And the said petitions were referred to the committee on the militia system.

Mr. Martin presented five petitions, of similar tenor, from sundry citizens of this commonwealth, praying for certain alterations in the law relative to the inspection of flour.

Mr. Pearson presented two petitions, of like import with the foregoing.

And the said petitions were referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

Mr. G. Bell presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Clearfield, Cambria and Indiana counties, praying for the passage of a law granting a premium for killing bears.

Which was referred to the members from the said counties.

Mr. M'Clure presented the petition of Rebecca Callahan, of Lycoming county, stating the services of her late husband, Daniel Callahan, in the revolutionary war, and praying relief.

Mr. M'Clure presented the petition of Jane English, of Lycoming county, stating the services of her late husband James English, in the revolutionary war, and praying relief.

Mr. Wise presented the petition of James M'Dowell, of Westmoreland county, accompanied with a document, stating his services in the revolutionary war, and praying relief.

And the said petitions and document were referred to the committee on claims.

A motion was made by Mr. Rahn, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That the Speaker draw his warrant on the State Treasurer, in favor of Cameron and Krause, printers of the bills of this House, for two hundred dollars, to be accounted for in the settlement of their account.

And, on motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

A motion was made by Mr. W. Forster, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That the committee of ways and means be instructed to inquire into the expediency of passing a law to graduate the duty paid by retailers of foreign merchandize.

Laid on the table.

A motion was made by Mr. Overholzer, and read as follows, viz.

Whereas, numerous petitions have been presented from sundry parts of this commonwealth, praying for the repeal of the act relating to collateral inheritances, passed the 7th of April, 1826,

Therefore,

Resolved, That the committee of ways and means be instructed to bring in a bill to repeal the said act.

Laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Snyder.

Ordered, That this House will hereafter meet at half past 9 o'clock in the morning, until otherwise ordered.

On motion of Mr. Binder,

Ordered, That the committee to whom were referred sundry petitions relative to the inspection of flour, be discharged from the further consideration of the subject, and that the same be referred to a select committee.

Which was agreed to. And

Ordered, That Messrs. Binder, Alter, Patterson, Evans, Cooper, Blair, Lawson, Bertolet and Overholzer, be of the committee.

Mr. Eldred, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 7th inst. a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 386, entitled "An act to authorise the election of an additional constable, in the township of Middle Smithfield, in the county of Pike, and for other purposes."

Which bill was read, and

Laid on the table.

Mr. Thompson obtained leave of absence for a few days, from to-morrow.

Mr. Snyder, from the committee on banks, reported a bill,

No. 387, entitled "A supplement to an act, entitled An act to incorporate the Kensington bank of the county of Philadelphia."

Which bill was read, and

Laid on the table.

Mr. Snyder, from the committee on banks, made a report (No. 208,) relative to the complaint of Jonathan Mifflin against the Columbia Bridge company, accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That the committee be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

And on motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

Mr. Boyd, from the committee appointed on the complaint against justice Coates, of the county of Philadelphia, made a report, (No. 209,) accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That the charges exhibited against Thomas Coates, jun. Esq. a justice of the peace of the county of Philadelphia, are not substantiated, and that the committee be discharged from the further consideration of the same.

And on motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

Mr. Ihrie, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 5th inst. a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 388, entitled "An act authorising the administrators of Peter Anthony to sell and convey certain real estate."

Mr. Good from the committee to whom was, on yesterday, referred a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 389, entitled "A further supplement to an act, entitled

An act to authorise the Governor to incorporate a company to make a lock navigation on the river Schuylkill."

Mr. R. Miller, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 6th inst. a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 390, entitled "A supplement to an act, entitled An act to provide for the erection of houses for the employment and support of the poor in the counties of Chester and Lancaster."

Mr. G. Bell, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 10th inst. that item of unfinished business, reported a bill,

No. 391, entitled "A supplement to the act, entitled An act authorising the Governor to incorporate the Milesburg and Smeths-port turnpike road company."

Mr. Evans, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 5th inst. a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 392, entitled "An act concerning the borough of Pottstown, in Montgomery county."

Which bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

The bill No. 60, entitled "An act providing a mode of enforcing the payment of monies charged on any lands, tenements or hereditaments by last will or testament," was read the third time and passed, and

Ordered, That the clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. W. B. Foster,

The House resumed the second reading of the bill No. 23, postponed on the 30th ult. entitled "An act to prevent fraud in the sale of manufactured tobacco."

And the first section recurring,

A motion was made by Mr. Duncan, to amend the same by striking therefrom "hogsheads" and "or leaf," which was agreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Duncan further to amend the section by adding thereto the following proviso, viz.

Provided, That the provisions of this act shall not extend to persons selling or disposing of tobacco manufactured in the city and county of Philadelphia, and county of Delaware.

Which was disagreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Blair, further to amend the section by striking therefrom these words, "as in such cases already provided for by the laws of this commonwealth," and inserting in lieu thereof these words, "to the court of common pleas of the proper county."

Which was agreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. W. B. Foster, further to amend the section by inserting after "falsely," in the 11th line, "and fraudulently."

Which was agreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Meredith, further to amend the section by striking therefrom these words, "that from and after the passage of this act, all boxes, barrels or kegs, in which

manufactured tobacco may be offered for sale within this commonwealth, shall have the tare or weight thereof accurately marked thereon, and if such tare or weight be not so accurately marked, it shall be lawful for any person aggrieved thereby to complain to a justice of the peace or alderman, who shall summarily hear the case, and if in his opinion the tare or weight of such box or boxes, barrel or barrels, keg or kegs, has been falsely and fraudulently marked, the person selling or disposing of the same, whether at public or private sale, shall by the said justice or alderman be adjudged to pay to the person aggrieved and complaining, the sum of thirty-three cents, for each and every pound weight of the tare thus falsely marked, less than the real weight of such box or boxes, barrel or barrels, keg or kegs, with all costs of suit from which judgment so rendered, either party may appeal to the court of common pleas of the proper county;" and inserting in lieu thereof these words, "that from and after the passage of this act, any person who shall wilfully and fraudulently sell and dispose any boxes, barrels or kegs of manufactured tobacco, the tare or weight whereof shall be falsely and fraudulently marked on the same, shall be held and deemed to be guilty of a misdemeanor, and on indictment and conviction of the same in any court of quarter sessions or mayor's court, shall be sentenced to pay a fine not exceeding one hundred dollars."

And on the question,

Will the House agree so to amend?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Meredith and Mr. Binder, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Binder	Mr. Ihrie	Mr. Martin
Bonner	James	Meredith
Bonsall	Knight	R. Miller
Boyd	Lehman	Pearson
Duncan	M'Ewen	J. R. C. Smith
Haines	M'Sherry	Snyder 18

NAYS.

Mr. Alter	Mr. Cope	Mr. Hottenstein
Atkinson	Cummin	Kennedy
Barber	Cunningham	Kerr
Beatty	Denny	Krepps
Becker	Dorrance	Lauman
G. Bell	Dunlap	Lawson
Bell, Leb.	Eldred	M'Bride
Bell, West.	Evans	M'Clure
Bertolet	Farrell	M'Creery
Blair	W. Forster	M'Reynolds
Boyer	W. B. Foster	Madden
Brown, Allegh.	Gebhart	Mathews, Cam.
Brown, Lan.	Good	G. Miller
Cooper	Harrison	Overholzer

NAYS.

Mr. Patterson	Mr. Scudder	Mr. Wilson
Pennypacker	P. Stephens	Wise
Petrikín	J. Stevens	Woltersberger
Rahn	Thomas	Wolford
Ramsey	Walker	Woolverton
Rankin	Whitlatch	Ritner, Sp'r.
Ringland		

So the question was determined in the negative. 61

A motion was then made by Mr. Kerr, to postpone the further consideration of the bill for the present.

Which was disagreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Duncan, to amend the section by inserting after "thereby," in the 8th line, these words, "to demand payment of the amount of loss sustained, and if not paid or allowed then".

Which was disagreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Denny, further to amend the section by striking from the 9th line, "summarily hear the case," and inserting in lieu thereof these words, "issue a summons commanding the person against whom complaint is made, to be and appear before him on a day certain, not more than eight nor less than four days from the date of the summons, and shall try the complaint as in other cases."

Which was disagreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Rahn, further to amend the section, by striking from the 9th line, "summarily hear the case," and inserting in lieu thereof "issue a summons or *capias*, as in other cases of debt or demand not exceeding one hundred dollars." Which was agreed to.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the first section as amended?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Meredith and Mr. Ramsey, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. Cummin	Mr. Madden
Alter	Cunningham	Mathews, Cam.
Atkinson	Denny	Overholzer
Barber	Dorrance	Patterson
Beatty	Dunlap	Pennypacker
Becker	Evans	Rahn
G. Bell	Farrell	Rankin
Bell, Leb.	W. Forster	Scudder
Bell, West.	W. B. Foster	Thomas
Bertolet	Gebhart	Walker
Blair	Good	Wilson
Boyer	Hottenstein	Wise
Brown, Allegh.	Lauman	Woltersberger
Brown, Lan.	Lawson	Wolford
Buyers	M'Clure	Woolverton
Cope	M'Reynolds	Ritner, Sp'r.

YAYS.

Mr. Binder
Bonner
Bonsall
Boyd
Cooper
Duncan
Haines
Harrison
Ihrie
James

Mr. Kennedy
Kerr
Knight
Krepps
Lehman
M'Creery
M'Ewen
M'Sherry
Martin
Meredith

Mr. R. Miller
Pearson
Petrikin
Ramsey
Ringland
J. R. C. Smith
Snyder
J. Stevens
Whitlatch

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So the question was determined in the affirmative.

The preamble and title were severally considered and agreed to. And

Ordered, That the bill be transcribed for the third reading.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, returned the bill No. 25, entitled "A supplement to an act, entitled A supplement to an act, entitled An act to authorise the Governor of this commonwealth to incorporate a company for the purpose of making and erecting a bridge over the river Susquehanna, in the county of Lancaster, at or near the town of Columbia, passed the 29th day of March, 1824."

With information that the Senate have passed said bill without amendment.

Adjourned until 3 o'clock this afternoon.

SAME DAY.

On motion of Mr. Pearson,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Martin in the chair, on the bill No. 152, entitled "A further supplement to an act, entitled An act to incorporate the district of Spring Garden."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Wilson,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Bell of Westmoreland in the chair, on the bill No. 218, entitled "An act for the relief of the legal representatives of James T. Scott, deceased, brigade inspector of the 2d brigade, 10th division, Pennsylvania militia."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with amendments.

On motion of Mr. M'Creery,

The rule for going into a committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with, the bill from the Senate, No. 358, entitled "An act for the relief of Mary Lemminton and Margaret Blattenberger, widows of revolutionary soldiers," was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered to be prepared for the third reading.

On motion of Mr. M'Creery,

The rule which prohibits the reading of bills twice on the same day, being in this case dispensed with, the said bill was read the third time and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Wolford in the chair, on the bill No. 28, entitled "An act to vacate part of a state road leading from Bellefonte, in Centre county, to the mouth of White Deer creek, in Union county."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the first section negatived.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the report?

A motion was made by Mr. W. Forster, to postpone the question, together with the bill, for the present.

Which was disagreed to.

And the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the report of the committee of the whole?

It was determined in the affirmative.

Adjourned until half past 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

THURSDAY, February 15, 1827.

The Speaker laid before the House a letter (No. 210,) from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, accompanied with documents, relative to the purchase of Purdon's digest.

Which were read, and

On motion of Mr. Brown of Allegheny, referred to Messrs. Brown of Allegheny, Kerr, Boyer, Snyder and Lauman.

The Secretary of the Commonwealth being introduced, presented a message (No. 211,) from the Governor, accompanied with a

copy (No. 212,) of resolutions of the Legislature of Alabama, relative to the emancipation of slaves.

Which were read, and

Laid on the table.

The Speaker laid before the House a letter (No. 213,) from the Auditor General, accompanied with a statement, (No. 214,) relative to the debts of turnpike road companies.

Which were read, and

On motion of Mr. Harrison,

Ordered, That the same be referred to the committee of ways and means.

Mr. Knight presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of the county of Philadelphia, praying for the passage of a law to prevent cattle from running at large in the said county.

Which was referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

Mr. Martin presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Thornbury township, Delaware county, praying that the said township may be annexed to the second election district of the said county.

Mr. Mathewson presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Pike township, Bradford county, praying that the place of holding their general elections, may be changed to the house of Elisha De Wolf.

And the said petitions were referred to the committee on election districts.

Mr. Haines presented three petitions, of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of Chester county, praying that a company may be incorporated for the purpose of making a rail road in the said county, from Hopewell to the quarries near Octorara church.

Which were referred to Messrs. Haines, M'Sherry, Bonsall, Barber and Martin.

Mr. Kennedy presented three petitions, of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of Northampton county, praying for a division of the said county.

Mr. Rankin presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Armstrong county, against the repeal of the law declaring Toby's creek a public highway.

Mr. Dunlap presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Pennsborough township, Cumberland county, against the repeal of the law authorising the election of an additional constable in the said township.

Mr. Overholzer presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of the city and county of Lancaster, praying for authority to raise sixty thousand dollars, by way of lottery, in aid of introducing water into the said city.

Mr. Cope presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Montgomery and Berks counties, against laying out a state road from Pottstown to Trexler's store.

Mr. Mathewson presented a remonstrance from the court and bar of Bradford county, against abolishing the middle district of the supreme court.

Mr. M'Reynolds presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Columbia county, praying that two of the judges of the supreme court may be required to hold circuit courts.

Mr. M'Reynolds presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Columbia county, praying that a state road may be laid out from Berwick to Pennsborough.

Mr. Agnew presented two petitions, of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of Lancaster county, praying for the passage of a law laying a tax on dogs in the said county.

Mr. Wolford presented two remonstrances, of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of York county, against laying out a state road from Dillsburg to Berlin.

And the said petitions and remonstrances were
Laid on the table.

Mr. Harrison presented a petition from sundry citizens of this commonwealth, praying that a company may be incorporated for the purpose of making a canal on the Delaware river, from tide water to the Delaware and Hudson canal.

Which was referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

Mr. Thomas presented a petition from sundry citizens of this commonwealth, praying for the construction of a canal on the river Susquehanna, from Peter's mountain to the New York state line.

Which was referred to the committee on inland navigation and internal improvement.

Mr. Thomas presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Luzerne county, praying for a review of a part of the state road from the Wilkesbarre bridge to Jerseytown.

Which was referred to Messrs. Thomas, Evans and Good.

Mr. Wise presented the petition of Robert M'Guire, of Westmoreland county, accompanied with documents, praying compensation for services rendered in the late war.

Which were referred to the committee on claims.

Mr. Harrison presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Bucks county, praying for the passage of a law to divide the said county, with a provision that it shall not go into operation until sanctioned by a majority of the votes of the people of the said county, to be taken at the next general election.

Which was referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

Mr. Cooper presented a petition from the executors of James Anderson, late of York county, deceased, accompanied with documents, praying for certain alterations in the act authorising the sale of the real estate of the deceased.

Which was referred to Messrs. Cooper, Scudder and Bell of Lebanon.

Mr. Overholzer presented two petitions, of similar tenor, from sundry inhabitants of Lancaster and Chester counties, praying for the repeal of the act relative to collateral inheritances.

Which were referred to the committee of ways and means.

On motion of Mr. Meredith,

Ordered, That the report of the commissioners appointed to superintend the erection of the state penitentiary near Philadelphia, presented on the 10th instant, be referred to Messrs. Meredith, Ramsey and Wilson.

A motion was made by Mr. Brown of Allegheny, and read as follows, viz.

Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, in General Assembly met, That the senators of this state, in the congress of the United States be instructed, and our representatives be requested, to use their utmost effort in the event of any modification of the existing tariff, to procure an increase of the duty upon imported spirits.

Resolved by the authority aforesaid, That the governor be requested to transmit a copy of the foregoing resolution to each of our senators and representatives in congress.

Laid on the table.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, presented for concurrence the bills entitled as follow, viz.

No. 394, "An act for the relief of John Newman, a deaf and dumb person."

No. 395, "An act to repeal part of an act, passed March 15th, 1826, authorising James Bell and Evan Thomas to build a bridge over Smithfield creek, in Northampton county."

No. 396, "An act for the relief of Charles Mitman, a soldier of the revolution."

Which bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

He returned the bills entitled as follow, viz.

No. 285, "An act for the relief of George Hoffman, a revolutionary soldier."

No. 13, "An act granting to John Dickson, of the borough of Erie, a certain lot of ground."

And gave information,

That the Senate have passed the first without, and the latter with amendments, in which the concurrence of the House of Representatives is requested.

The amendments by the Senate to the said bill were read, considered and concurred in. And

Ordered, That the clerk inform the Senate of the same.

On motion of Mr. Petrikin,

Ordered, That Monday afternoon next be appropriated to the consideration of bills from the Senate.

Mr. Cooper, Mr. Brown of Lancaster, and Mr. H. Miller, obtained leave of absence for a few days, from Saturday next.

The bill No. 23, entitled "An act to prevent fraud in the sale of manufactured tobacco," was read the third time and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

A motion was made by Mr. M'Clure and Mr. Bertolet, they being in the majority, to re-consider the vote given on the 9th inst, on the first section of the bill No. 197, entitled "An act to endow the house of refuge, and for other purposes therein mentioned."

And on the question,

Will the House agree to reconsider the said vote?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Wise and Mr. Good, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. W. B. Foster	Mr. Patterson
Beatty	Good	Pearson
Bertolet	Harrison	Pennypacker
Binder	Irwin	Petrikín
Blair	Knight	Rahn
Bonner	Krepps	Ramsey
Bonsall	Lehman	Rankin
Boyd	M'Clure	Ringland
Cummin	M'Creery	Scudder
Cunningham	M'Ewen	J. R. C. Smith
Denny	M'Sherry	Snyder
Dorrance	Martin	J. Stevens
Duncan	Meredith	Wilson
Ellis	R. Miller	Woolverton
Farrell	Overholzer	Ritner, Sp'r. 45

NAYS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. W. Forster	Mr. M'Reynolds
Alter	Gebhart	Madden
Becker	Hottenstein	Mathews, Cam.
Bell, West.	Ihrle	G. Miller
Boyer	James	H. Miller
Brown, Lan.	Kennedy	Thomas
Buyers	Kerr	Whitlatch -
Cooper	Lauman	Wise
Cope	Lawson	Wolfsberger
Dunlap	M'Bride	Wolford
Evans		

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So the question was determined in the affirmative.

And the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the said section?

A motion was made by Mr. Wise, to postpone the question for the present.

Which was agreed to.

The bill No. 282, entitled "A supplement to an act, entitled An act for the sale of vacant lands within this commonwealth," was read the second time.

And being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. M'Sherry, to postpone the further consideration of the same until Wednesday the 21st inst.

Which was agreed to.

The bill No. 152, entitled "A further supplement to an act, entitled An act to incorporate the district of Spring Garden," was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered, To be transcribed for the third reading.

The bill No. 218, entitled "An act for the relief of the legal representatives of James T. Scott, deceased, late brigade inspector of the 2d brigade, 10th division, Pennsylvania militia," was read the second time.

And the first section being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Wilson, to amend the same, by striking therefrom "sixteen dollars and eighty-six cents," and inserting in lieu thereof, "one dollar and seventy-eight cents."

Which was agreed to.

And the section as amended, was agreed to.

The remaining sections were severally considered and agreed to.

The title was considered and agreed to, being amended so as to read as follows, viz.

"An act for the relief of sundry brigade inspectors." And

Ordered, That the bill be transcribed for the third reading.

Adjourned until half past 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

FRIDAY, February 16, 1827.

The Speaker laid before the House a letter (No. 215,) from the president of the Lehigh canal and navigation company.

Which was read, and

Laid on the table.

Mr. Dillinger presented a document relative to the claim of Leonard Hanse.

Mr. Rahn presented a document relative to the claim of Henry Orwig.

Which were referred to the committee on claims.

Mr. Tutwiler presented a document relative to the claim of Jacob Fahner.

Which was

Laid on the table.

Mr. Tutwiler presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Huntingdon and Bedford counties, praying that a state road may be laid out from the house of Maxwell Kinkade, in Huntingdon county, to M'Connellsburg, in Bedford county.

Which was referred to the members from the said counties.

Mr. Kennedy presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Northampton county, praying for authority to raise two thousand dollars, by way of lottery, in aid of the erection of a house for public worship in the village of Bath.

Which was referred to Messrs. Kennedy, Krepps and Dillinger.

Mr. Boyer presented two memorials from sundry inhabitants of Berks county, remonstrating against the construction of the Pennsylvania canal, and praying for the repeal of the act relative to collateral inheritances.

Mr. Brown of Allegheny presented two petitions from sundry inhabitants of Allegheny county, praying for an appropriation in aid of improving the state road from Uniontown to Pittsburg.

And the said petitions and memorials were

Laid on the table.

Mr. Overholzer presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Lancaster and Chester counties, praying for the repeal of the act relative to collateral inheritances.

Which was referred to the committee of ways and means.

A motion was made by Mr. Overholzer, that Friday afternoon next, be appropriated to the consideration of the bill No. 172, entitled "An act for raising, by way of lottery, the sum of sixty thousand dollars, for defraying the expenses of introducing water into the city of Lancaster." And

The bill No. 273, entitled "An act to authorise Jacob Crawford, Abel Lee Crawford, Josiah Crawford and James S. Crawford, to erect a dam on the Monongahela river."

The motion being under consideration.

A motion was made by Mr. Dunlap, to amend the same by adding thereto, "And the bill No. 87, entitled "An act to incorporate the Theological Seminary of the German Reformed church of the United States of America."

When a motion was made by Mr. Lehman, to postpone the amendment together with the motion, for the present.

Which was disagreed to.

And the amendment was disagreed to.

The Speaker then submitted for the decision of the House the following question.

Whether a majority can, under the rules of the House, appropriate an afternoon session to the consideration of a bill which could not be reached in regular order, or whether it will require two-thirds ?

When a motion was made by Mr. M'Sherry, to postpone the question, together with the motion, for the present.

Which was agreed to.

A motion was made by Mr. Atkinson, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That the committee on inland navigation and internal improvement, be instructed to inquire into the expediency of authorising and requiring the supervisors of roads within this commonwealth to remove obstructions in streams declared public highways, within their respective townships. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted. And

Mr. G. Miller obtained leave of absence for a few days.

On motion of Mr. Ellis,

Ordered, That Messrs. Ihrie, Eldred and Haines, be of the committee appointed on the 29th ultimo, relative to the establishment of circuits of the courts of common pleas.

Mr. Dillinger, from the committee appointed to compare bills and present them to the Governor for his approbation, made report, which was read as follows, viz.

That in conjunction with a similar committee from the Senate, they have compared, and on this day presented to the Governor for his approbation, the bills entitled as follow, to wit.

An act concerning weights and measures.

A supplement to an act, entitled A supplement to an act, entitled An act to authorise the Governor of this commonwealth to incorporate a company for the purpose of making and erecting bridge over the river Susquehanna, in the county of Lancaster, or near the town of Columbia, passed the 29th day of March 1824.

An act for the relief of Mary Lemmonton and Margaret Blattenberger, widows of revolutionary soldiers.

An act for the relief of George Hoffman, a revolutionary soldier.

Laid on the table.

Mr. M'Creery, from the committee on claims, made a report, (No. 216,) relative to the claim of Robert Armstrong, accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That the committee be discharged from any further consideration of the subject.

And, on motion,

The said resolution was read the second time.

And being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Ellis, to postpone the further consideration of the same for the present.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. M'Creery, from the committee on claims, made a report, (No. 217,) relative to the claim of John Nicholas, accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That the committee be discharged from any further consideration of the subject, and that the petitioner have leave to withdraw his petition and documents. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

Mr. M'Creery, from the committee on claims, made a report, (No. 218.) relative to the claim of Edward Hector, accompanied with the following report, viz.

Resolved, That the committee be discharged from any further consideration of the subject. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time.

And being under consideration

A motion was made by Mr. Evans, to postpone the further consideration of the same for the present.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Pearson, from the committee on education, reported a bill, No. 397, entitled "An act to provide for the education of children at the public expense, in and near the borough of Harrisburg."

Mr. Duncan, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 5th inst. a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 398, entitled "An act to incorporate the Philadelphia towing boat company."

Mr. Atkinson, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 12th inst. a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 399, entitled "An act for the improvement of the state road from Meadville to the north boundary of the state."

Mr. Atkinson, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 12th inst. a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 400, entitled "An act declaring Muddy creek, in Crawford county, a public highway."

Which bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

Mr. Ellis, from the committee appointed on the 29th ultimo, relative to the organization of the courts of common pleas, made a report, (No. 219.) accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That the committee be discharged from the further consideration of that part of the matters referred to them, relative to the appointment of additional judges of the supreme court.

And on motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, presented for concurrence, the bill,

No. 401, entitled "An act authorising the Governor to incorporate the Allegheny and Conewaugo Canal Company."

Which bill was read, and

Laid on the table.

The bills entitled as follow, were severally read the third time and passed, viz.

No. 152, "A further supplement to an act, entitled An act to incorporate the district of Spring Garden."

No. 218, "An act for the relief of sundry brigade inspectors." And

Ordered, That the Clerk present the said bills to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Brown of Allegheny,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Krepps in the chair, on the resolution,

No. 393, Relative to the duty on imported spirits.

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

When a motion was made by Mr M'Creery,

That the committee of the whole be discharged from the further consideration of the said resolution, and that the same be recommended to the early and especial attention of the next legislature.

Which was agreed to.

Adjourned until 3 o'clock this afternoon.

SAME DAY.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Agnew in the chair, on the bill

No. 247, entitled "An act to repeal An act establishing a district court in the county of Dauphin."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with one amendment.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Patterson in the chair, on the bill

No. 30, entitled "An act to incorporate the Franklin Library Company of Ten Mile, in the county of Washington."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with one amendment.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. W. Forster in the chair, on the bill

No. 34, entitled "An act for the establishment of a college at Uniontown, in the county of Fayette."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with one amendment.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Good in the chair, on the bill

No. 35, entitled "An act for the relief of the heirs and assigns of John Clarke."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

When, a motion was made by Mr. Snyder,

That the committee of the whole be discharged from the further consideration of the said bill, and that the same be committed to the committee on the judiciary system.

Which was disagreed to. And

Ordered, That the committee of the whole sit again on Friday the 23d inst.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Walker in the chair, on the bill

No. 36, entitled "A supplement to an act, entitled An act for the relief of the creditors of the Harrisburg, Carlisle and Chambersburg turnpike road," passed on the 1st of April, 1823.

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the first section of the bill negatived.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the report of the committee of the whole?

It was determined in the affirmative.

Adjourned until half past 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.



SATURDAY, February 17, 1827.

Mr. Harrison presented three petitions from sundry inhabitants of Bucks county, praying for the passage of an act authorising a division of the said county, with a provision that it shall not go

into operation until sanctioned by a majority of the votes of the people of the county, to be taken at the next general election.

Which were referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

Mr. Harrison presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Bucks county, praying for the passage of a law laying a tax on dogs in the said county.

Which was referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

Mr. Martin presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Delaware county, praying for the repeal of the act relative to collateral inheritances.

Which was referred to the committee of ways and means.

Mr. Thomas presented a petition from sundry citizens of this commonwealth, praying for the construction of a canal from Peter's mountain, along the valley of the Susquehanna, to the New York state line.

Which was referred to the committee on inland navigation and internal improvement.

Mr. Beatty presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Allegheny county, praying for an appropriation in aid of improving the state road from Uniontown to Pittsburg.

Mr. Overholzer presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Lancaster county, praying for the passage of a law laying a tax on dogs in the said county.

And the said petitions were

Laid on the table.

Mr. J. Miller presented the petition of Mary Sheridan, of Perry county, accompanied with documents, stating the services of her late husband, James Sheridan, in the revolutionary war, and praying relief.

Which were referred to the committee on claims.

Mr. Alter obtained leave of absence for a few days.

On motion of Mr. Hottenstein,

Ordered, That Messrs. Kerr, Dillinger and Cummin, be of the committee to whom was referred the item of unfinished business, relative to a division of Berks county.

On motion of Mr. Overholzer,

Ordered, That Messrs. Lawson and Atkinson be of the committee to whom was referred the petition of the 7th day Baptists of Ephrata, in Lancaster county.

Mr. Ihrie, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 5th instant, a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 402, entitled "An act to enable Rosina Jacoby to convey certain real estate, and for other purposes."

Mr. Kennedy, from the committee to whom was, on yesterday, referred a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 403, entitled "An act to raise, by way of lottery, a sum of money, not exceeding two thousand dollars, for erecting a

house of public worship at or near the village of Bath, in the county of Northampton."

Mr. Lehman, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 5th instant, a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 404, entitled "An act to enable the guardians of the minor children of Thomas J. Paschall, and Mary H. Morris, to sell and lease on improvement, certain lands in Schuylkill county."

Which bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

Mr. J. Miller, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 27th ultimo, a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 405, entitled "An act supplementary to an act, entitled An act for laying out, making and keeping in repair, the public roads and highways, within this commonwealth, and for laying out private roads, passed the 6th of April, 1802."

Which bill was read, and made the order of the day for the 3d of March next.

Mr. Tutwiler, from the committee to whom was, on yesterday, referred a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 406, entitled "An act to lay out a state road from the Northern turnpike road, beginning at or near the house of Maxwell Kincaid, in Huntingdon county, thence the nearest and best way crossing Tussey's mountain, at Spencer's gap, to intersect the Southern turnpike, at or near M'Connellsburg, in Bedford county."

Which bill was read, and

Laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. M'Creery,

The resolution attached to the report of the committee on claims, relative to the claim of Thomas Nicholls, was read the second time.

And being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. M'Creery, to amend the same, by striking therefrom "that the committee be discharged from any further consideration of the subject, and that the petitioner have leave to withdraw his petition and documents," and inserting in lieu thereof, "that the committee be instructed to bring in a bill, granting to the petitioner two hundred dollars, as a full compensation for his revolutionary services."

Which was agreed to.

And the resolution, as amended, was adopted.

The bill No. 247, entitled "An act to repeal An act establishing a district court in the county of Dauphin," was read the second time, considered and agreed to.

And on the question,

Shall the bill be transcribed for the third reading?

A motion was made by Mr. Ellis,
To postpone the question, together with the bill, for the present,
Which was disagreed to.

And the question recurring,
Shall the bill be transcribed for the third reading?

It was determined in the affirmative.

The bill No. 30, entitled "An act to incorporate the Franklin Library Company of Ten Mile, in the county of Washington," was read the second time, considered and agreed to.

When a motion was made by Mr. Ringland,
That the same be recommitted to a select committee.

Which was agreed to. And

Ordered, That Messrs. Ringland, Meredith and J. Miller be of the committee.

The bill, No. 34, entitled "An act for the establishment of a college at Uniontown, in the county of Fayette," was read the second time.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the first article?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Boyer and Mr. Bertolet, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Kennedy	Mr. Nicholson
G. Bell	Knight	Pearson
Bonner	Krepps	Pennypacker
Boyd	Lauman	Scudder
Denny	M'Bride	Shannon
Duncan	M'Clure	J. R. C. Smith
Dunlap	M'Ewen	P. Stephens
Eldred	M'Reynolds	Thomas
Farrell	M'Sherry	Tutwiler
W. Forster	Madden	Walker
Gebhart	Martin	Whitlatch
Harrison	Meredith	Wilson
Ihrie	J. Miller	Woltersberger
Irwin	R. Miller	Woolverton
James		

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NAYS.

Mr. Beatty	Mr. Dillinger	Mr. Overholzer
Bertolet	Evans	Patterson
Binder	W. B. Foster	Petrikina
Blair	Good	Rahn
Boyer	Hottenstein	Ramsey
Brown, Allegh.	Kerr	Rankin
Buyers	Lawson	Ringland
Cope	M'Creery	J. Stevens
Cummin	Mathews, Cam.	Ritner, Sp'r.

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So the question was determined in the affirmative.

The second article was considered and agreed to.

The third article being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. M'Creery,

To amend the same by striking from the 27th line, "at least seven," and inserting in lieu thereof "a majority."

Which was disagreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Meredith,

To amend the article by inserting after "or," in the 27th line, "a majority of those present at any legal meeting of the board, with the concurrence of."

Which was agreed to.

And the third article as amended was agreed to.

The fourth and fifth articles were severally considered and agreed to.

The sixth article being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Lawson,

To amend the same by striking therefrom these words, "by rewarding or censuring them, and finally by suspending such of them as, after repeated admonitions, shall continue disobedient and refractory, until the determination of a quorum of the trustees can be had."

Which was disagreed to.

And the sixth article was agreed to.

The remaining articles of the first section were severally considered and agreed to.

The second section was considered and agreed to.

The preamble was considered and disagreed to.

The title was considered and agreed to. And

Ordered, That the bill be transcribed for the third reading.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, informed that the Senate have non-concurred in the amendments by the House of Representatives, to the resolution from the Senate,

No. 317, entitled "Resolution for the further distribution of the pamphlet laws of this commonwealth."

On motion,

The House proceeded to the consideration of the amendments to the said resolution, non-concurred in by the Senate.

When a motion was made by Mr. Ellis,

That the House insist upon the said amendments.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

A motion was made by Mr. Ellis, to postpone the question until Monday next.

Which was agreed to.

Adjourned until half past 9 o'clock on Monday morning next.

MONDAY, February 19, 1827.

The Speaker laid before the House a statement (No. 220,) of the affairs of the Philadelphia saving fund society.

Which was read, and

Laid on the table.

The Speaker laid before the House a letter (No. 221,) from a committee of the Belle Lettres society of Dickinson college.

Which was read, and

Laid on the table.

The Secretary of the Commonwealth being introduced, presented a message from the Governor, which was read as follows, viz.

To the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

GENTLEMEN,

I have this day approved and signed the following acts of the General Assembly, and directed the Secretary of the Commonwealth to return the same to the Houses in which they originated, viz.

A supplement to an act, entitled A supplement to an act, entitled An act to authorise the Governor of this commonwealth to incorporate a company for the purpose of making and erecting a bridge over the river Susquehanna, in the county of Lancaster, at or near the town of Columbia, passed the twenty-ninth day of March, eighteen hundred and twenty-four.

An act for the relief of George Hoffman, a revolutionary soldier.

An act for the relief of Mary Lemmonton and Margaret Blattenberger, widows of revolutionary soldiers.

An act concerning weights and measures.

J. ANDW. SHULZE.

Harrisburg, February 17, 1827.

Laid on the table.

The Secretary of the Commonwealth also presented a message (No. 222,) from the Governor, accompanied with a copy of a resolution (No. 223,) of congress, relative to the navy yard at Philadelphia

Which were read, and

On motion of Mr. Ellis,

Ordered. That the same be referred to Messrs. Ellis, Binder, Meredith, Denny, Atkinson, Brown of Allegheny and Blair.

The Secretary of the Commonwealth also presented a message (No. 224,) from the Governor, accompanied with a copy (No. 225,)

of a letter from the Governor of Georgia, and a report and resolutions of the legislature of that state, relative to their differences with the general government.

Which were read, and

Laid on the table.

Mr. Wise presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Westmoreland and Indiana counties, praying that persons going to or returning from church, may be permitted to pass the bridge over the Conemaugh at Blairsville, free from the payment of toll.

Which was referred to the members from Westmoreland, Armstrong and Indiana counties.

Mr. Duncan presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of the city of Philadelphia, praying for certain alterations in the militia law, so far as it respects the 1st brigade, 1st division, Pennsylvania militia.

Which was referred to the committee on the militia system.

Mr. Knight presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of the county of Philadelphia, praying for certain alterations in the law laying a duty on the retailers of foreign merchandize.

Which was referred to the committee of ways and means.

Mr. Rahn presented two petitions from sundry inhabitants of Berks and Schuylkill counties, praying for an appropriation in aid of the erection of a bridge across the river Schuylkill, at Hamburg.

Mr. Farrel presented a petition from sundry stockholders in the Robbstown and Mount Pleasant turnpike road, praying that the Washington and Williamsport turnpike road company may be required to collect the subscriptions due by stockholders, and to complete their road.

Mr. Rahn presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Schuylkill county, praying for the establishment of a bank at Pottsville.

Mr. Kennedy presented two remonstrances from sundry inhabitants of Northampton county, against a division of the said county.

Mr. Farrell presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Westmoreland county, against increasing the public debt for the purpose of making the Pennsylvania canal.

Mr. Rahn presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Schuylkill county, against the incorporation of companies for the purpose of mining and transporting coal.

Mr. Ellis presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Elkland township, Lycoming county, against appropriating the taxes on unseated lands in said township, in aid of improving the road from Williamsport, up Lycoming creek

Mr. Agnew presented two petitions, from sundry inhabitants of Lancaster county, praying that the said county may be separated from the city of Lancaster for certain county purposes.

Mr. Wilson presented two petitions, from sundry inhabitants of Huntingdon county, praying for a review of the road from Concord to Drake's ferry. And

The said petitions and remonstrances were

Laid on the table.

Mr. Pearson presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Philadelphia county, praying for the passage of a law to prevent cattle from running at large in the said county.

Which was referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

Mr. Boyd presented a remonstrance from sundry merchants, flour factors and other inhabitants of Philadelphia, against alterations in the law relative to the inspection of flour.

Which was referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

Mr. R. Miller presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Coventry township, Chester county, praying that the place of holding their general elections may be changed to the house of Matthias Geist.

Mr. Cope presented three petitions, from sundry inhabitants of Skippack, Perkiomen and Worcester township, Montgomery county, praying that the said townships may be erected into a separate election district, and the elections thereof held at the house now occupied by Abraham Everhart.

And the said petitions were referred to the committee on election districts.

Mr. McClure presented two petitions, from sundry inhabitants of Lycoming, Tioga and Bradford counties, praying that certain taxes on unseated lands may be appropriated in aid of improving the road from Clendenen's to the New York State line.

Which were referred to the members from the said counties.

Mr. Lehman presented a memorial from the Pennsylvania society for the promotion of internal improvement, praying for the improvement of the navigation of the river Delaware, from tide water to the river Lehigh.

Mr. Thomas presented a petition from sundry citizens of this commonwealth, praying for the construction of a canal from Peter's mountain, along the valley of the Susquehanna, to the New York State line.

Mr. Cunningham presented a memorial from a convention of delegates from the states of Pennsylvania and Ohio, praying that a company may be incorporated for the purpose of constructing a canal from the portage summit of the Ohio canal to the Pennsylvania canal.

And the said memorials and petition were referred to the committee on inland navigation and internal improvement.

Mr. Meredith presented the petition of Joseph Bigony, of the county of Philadelphia, accompanied with a document, stating his services in the revolutionary war, and praying relief.

Which were referred to the committee on claims.

Mr. Ellis presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Lycoming county, praying for an appropriation in aid of improving the road from Pennsborough to Meansville.

Which was referred to Messrs. Ellis, Thomas and Mathewson.

Mr. Shannon presented a petition from the trustees of the Greensburg academy, in Beaver county, praying that the money due to the commonwealth upon certain out lots near the borough of Beaver, may be appropriated in aid of the said academy.

Which was referred to the members from Beaver and Allegheny counties.

A motion was made by Mr. Harrison, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That the committee on the militia system be instructed to inquire into the expediency of allowing the several brigade inspectors pay, in the settlement of their accounts, for expenses incurred by them for advertising elections and brigade orders, in newspapers and handbills.

And, on motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

A motion was made by Mr. Ellis, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That the committee on the judiciary system be instructed to inquire into the expediency of providing, by law, for publication in all the papers of any county, of the public accounts of the county, of the public printing for the commissioners, and the proclamations and advertisements of the sheriffs, except as to the county of Philadelphia.

And, on motion,

The said resolution was read the second time.

And being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Irwin, to amend the same, by striking therefrom "the committee on the judiciary system," and inserting in lieu thereof, "a select committee."

Which was disagreed to.

And the resolution was disagreed to.

Mr. Pearson obtained leave to withdraw the petitions of William P. Smith and Michael Nagle.

Mr. Denny, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 13th instant, a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 407, entitled "An act for the relief of Sarah Woods."

Which bill was read, and

Laid on the table.

Mr. Hottenstein, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 18th ultimo, that item of unfinished business, reported a bill,

No. 408, entitled "And act erecting part of Berks county into a separate county."

Which bill was read. And,

On motion of Mr. Boyer,

Recommitted to the committee which reported it.

Mr. Harrison, from the committee to whom was referred that item of unfinished business, and sundry petitions on the subject, reported a bill,

No. 409, entitled "An act erecting part of Bucks county into a separate county."

Mr. Ringland, from the committee to whom was committed, on the 17th instant, the bill

No. 30, entitled "An act to incorporate the Franklin library company of Ten Mile, in the county of Washington," reported the bill with amendments.

Mr. Whitlatch, from the committee to whom were referred, on the 7th inst. sundry petitions on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 410, entitled "An act to authorise Henry Sharpneck and Alfred Frost, to erect a dam and lock on the Monongahela river."

Mr. M'Clure, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 10th inst. a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 411, entitled "A supplement to an act, entitled A supplement to the acts incorporating the towns of Gettysburg, in the county of Adams, Meadville, in the county of Crawford, and Uniontown, in the county of Fayette; and to incorporate the towns of Jersey Shore and Pennsborough, in the county of Lycoming, and for other purposes, passed the 15th of March, 1826."

Mr. M Clure, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 13th ult. a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 412, entitled "An act entitled An act for the improvement of the road leading from Muncy township, in the county of Lycoming, by Lewis' glass works, to the Berwick and Newton turnpike road, at Ellis' tavern, in Cherry township."

Which bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

The bill No. 34, entitled "An act for the establishment of a college at Uniontown, in the county of Fayette," was read the third time.

And on the question,

Shall the same pass?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Irwin and Mr. Wise, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. Dunlap	Mr. Kennedy
Atkinson	Ellis	Knight
Becker	Farrell	Krepps
Bell, West.	W. Forster	Lauman
Blair	W. B. Foster	Lehman
Bonsall	Gebhart	M'Bride
Boyd	Harrison	M'Clure
Brown, Allegh.	Hetrick	M'Ewen
Cunningham	Hottenstein	M'Reynolds
Denny	Ihrle	Martin
Dorrance	Irwin	Meredith
Duncan	James	J. Miller

YEAS.

Mr. R. Miller
Nicholson
Overholzer
Patterson
Pearson
Pennypacker

Mr. Rankin
Shannon
J. R. C. Smith
J. Stevens
Thomas

Mr. Tutwiler
Whitlatch
Wilson
Wolfersberger
Wolford

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NAYS.

Mr. Beatty
Bertolet
Binder
Boyer
Cope
Cummin
Dillinger

Mr. Evans
Good
Kerr
Lawson
M'Creery
Mathews, Cam.

Mr. Petrikin
Rahn
Ramsey
Ringland
Wise
Ritner, Sp'r.

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So the question was determined in the affirmative. And

Ordered. That the Clerk present the said bill to the Senate for concurrence.

The bill No. 247, entitled "An act to repeal an act establishing a district court in the county of Dauphin," was read the third time and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

The House resumed the consideration of the amendments by this House, non-concurred in by the Senate, to the resolution from the Senate, No. 317, for the further distribution of the pamphlet laws.

And the question recurring,

Will the House insist on the said amendments?

It was determined in the affirmative. And

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate of the same.

On motion of Mr. Ringland,

The House resumed the second reading of the bill No. 30, entitled "An act to incorporate the Franklin library company of Ten Mile, in the county of Washington."

And the question recurring,

Shall the bill be transcribed for the third reading?

It was determined in the affirmative.

Agreeably to leave given,

The House again resolved itself into a committee of the whole. Mr. Ihrie in the chair, on the bill No. 305, entitled "An act supplementary to an act, to alter and amend the fee bill."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

When a motion was made by Mr. M'Creery,

That the committee of the whole be discharged from the further consideration of the said bill, and that the same be committed to a select committee.

Which was agreed to. And

Ordered, That Messrs. M'Creery, Denny, J. Miller, Blair and Agnew, be of the committee.

On motion of Mr Knight,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Cummin in the chair, on the bill No. 24, entitled "An act supplementary to an act, entitled An act for regulating and maintaining fences."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

Leave was granted. And

Ordered, That the committee of the whole sit again on Wednesday the 21st inst.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, presented for concurrence the bills entitled as follow, viz.

No. 413, "An act to authorise Samuel Humes, junior, guardian of Fidelia R Van Dyke, to sell and convey certain real estate."

No 414, "An act to amend the charter of the borough of York."

Which bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

He returned the bill No. 21, entitled "An act to exempt from taxation the property of the Pennsylvania institution for the deaf and dumb."

And gave information,

That the Senate have passed said bill without amendment.

Agreeably to the order of the day,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Wilson in the chair, on the bill No. 353, entitled "An act to prohibit hereafter perpetual ground rents."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported progress, and asked leave to sit again. When

A motion was made by Mr. Lawson,

That the committee of the whole be discharged from the further consideration of the said bill, and that the same be postponed indefinitely.

When,

On motion,

The House adjourned until 3 o'clock this afternoon.

SAME DAY.

The Speaker laid before the House a letter from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, accompanied with sundry depositions, interrogatories and cross-examinations, taken on a complaint

against Alexander C. Phelps, a justice of the peace of Susquehanna county, before William Thompson, Esquire, an associate judge of the said county.

Laid on the table.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Bonner in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 103, entitled "An act to vest in Comfort Budge, the right of this commonwealth to the real and personal estate of her illegitimate daughter, Rebecca Clarke, late of the borough of Meadville, in the county of Crawford."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

Leave was granted. And

Ordered, That the committee of the whole sit again on the first Monday of May next.

On motion of Mr. Petrikin,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Wolfersberger in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 217, entitled "An act to empower John Miles and Joseph Miles, surviving executors of Samuel Miles, late of Montgomery county, deceased, to sell and convey certain real estate therein mentioned."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill without amendment.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Petrikin in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 109, entitled "An act establishing the rates of ferriage at Greensburg, Greene county."

And after some time,

The speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Leave was granted. And

Ordered, That the committee of the whole sit again on Wednesday the 21st instant.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Pennypacker in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 115, entitled "An act authorising the sale and conveyance of the right of the heirs of George Taylor, to a tract of land in Washington county."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill without amendment.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. M'Ewen in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 116, entitled "An act to authorise the making of an index to the road

dockets, in the office of the clerk of the court of quarter sessions of Lancaster county."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with amendments.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. M'Reynolds in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 117, entitled "An act authorising Jacob Zook, trustee of the Great Valley Ominist society, in Chester county, to sell and convey a certain real estate therein mentioned."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill without amendment.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Walker in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 130, entitled "A further supplement to the act, entitled An act to raise and collect county rates and levies."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill without amendment.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. James in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 131, entitled "An act to lay out a state road from New Geneva, in Fayette county, through Greensburg, in Greene county, to the Virginia line, in the direction of the mouth of Fishing creek."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Leave was granted. And

Ordered, That the committee of the whole sit again on Monday the fifth of March next.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Pearson in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 175, entitled "An act annexing part of Berks county to the county of Lebanon."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

Leave was granted. And

Ordered, That the committee of the whole sit again on Monday the twelfth of March next.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Whitlatch in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 176, entitled "An act to make valid certain acts of Charles Deshler, a justice of the peace."

And after some time,
The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with one amendment.

Agreeably to order,
The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Nicholson in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 186, entitled "An act for the appointment of an inspector of pot and pearl ashes for the port of Philadelphia, and for regulating the inspection of the same."

And after some time,
The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill without amendment.

Agreeably to order,
The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Mathewson in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 187, entitled "An act authorising the laying out a state road in Beaver and Mercer counties, and also in Beaver and Allegheny counties."

And after some time,
The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with amendments.

Adjourned until half past 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.



TUESDAY, February 20, 1827.

On motion of Mr. Petrikin,

Ordered That the letter of the Secretary of the Commonwealth, read yesterday, together with the depositions, interrogatories and cross examinations taken on a complaint against justice Phelps, of Susquehanna county, be referred to Messrs. Petrikin, Boyer, Bell of Westmoreland, Madden and Krepps.

Mr. Meredith presented a memorial from the controllers of the public schools for the city and county of Philadelphia, remonstrating against the passage of the bill, entitled "A supplement to the act, entitled An act for the education of children at the public expense, within the city and county of Philadelphia."

Mr. Bertolet presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Berks county, praying for a review of the state road from Orwigsburg to Stetler's tavern.

Mr. Snyder presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Schuylkill county, praying for the incorporation of coal companies.

Mr. Rahn presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Schuylkill county, against the incorporation of coal companies.

And the said petitions, memorial and remonstrance were

Laid on the table.

Mr. Alter presented the petition of Jacob Eyler, of Cumberland county, accompanied with documents, stating his services in the revolutionary war, and praying relief.

Mr. W. B. Foster presented the petition of Sarah Moon, of Allegheny county, accompanied with documents, stating the services of her late husband, Henry Moon, in the revolutionary war, and praying relief.

And the said petitions and documents were referred to the committee on claims.

Mr. Rankin presented two petitions from sundry inhabitants of Mahoning township, Indiana county, praying for the repeal of the act passed at the last session of the Legislature for the relief of John Leasure.

Which were referred to Messrs. Rankin, Penypacker and Matthews of Cambria.

Mr. Thomas presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Brantraim township, Luzerne county, praying that the place of holding their general elections may be changed to the house now occupied by Paul Overfield.

Which was referred to the committee on election districts.

Mr. Alter presented three petitions from sundry inhabitants of Cumberland county, praying for authority to erect a house for the employment and support of the poor of the said county.

Which were referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

Mr. Snyder presented a memorial from a meeting of manufacturers of, and traders in cotton and woollen goods, in the city and county of Philadelphia, praying that cotton and woollen goods of domestic manufacture, may be exempted from the payment of auction duties.

When a motion was made by Mr. Snyder, that the same be referred to the committee on domestic manufactures.

The motion being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Meredith, to amend the same by striking therefrom "on domestic manufactures," and inserting in lieu thereof "of ways and means."

Which was agreed to.

And the motion as amended was adopted.

Mr. Duncan presented a remonstrance from the members of the religious society of the seventh day Baptists, at Snowhill, in Franklin county, against any alteration in the act incorporating the society of seventh day Baptists at Ephrata, in the county of Lancaster.

Which was referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

Mr. Harrison presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Bucks county, praying for the passage of an act for a division of the said county, with a provision that it shall not go into operation until sanctioned by a majority of the votes of the people of said county, to be taken at the next general election.

Which was

Laid on the table.

Mr. Mathewson presented a petition from sundry citizens of Asylum and Monroe townships, Bradford county, praying that the act passed the 24th day of February, 1828, for appropriating a part of the road tax on unseated lands, in said townships, for the improvement of the state road from Wilkesbarre to Towanda, may be extended for three years.

Which was referred to Messrs. Mathewson, Thomas and Matheys of Montgomery.

On motion of Mr. Overholzer,

Ordered That the committee to whom was referred the petition of the society of 7th day Baptists of Ephrata, in Lancaster county, have leave to sit during the session of the house.

On motion of Mr. Agnew,

Ordered, That the petitions, presented on yesterday, relative to a separation of the city from the county of Lancaster, be referred to the members from the said county.

A motion was made by Mr. Bonner, and read as follows, viz.

Whereas it appears that owing to the negligence of the printer of the report of the commissioners on the present state of the Pennsylvania canal, printed in the German language, has not yet been received, and it is understood that they are now lying somewhere between Easton and this place.

Therefore,

Resolved, That the Sergeant-at-Arms be directed to cause them to be conveyed to this place immediately, and that the necessary expense incurred thereby be paid by Hutter and Miller. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, and being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Ihrie, to postpone the further consideration of the same for the present.

Which was agreed to.

A motion was made by Mr. M'Reynolds, that the bill No 310, entitled "A further supplement to the act, entitled An act to authorise the Governor to incorporate a company for erecting a bridge over the river Susquehanna, at the town of Danville," be made the first order for Friday afternoon next.

Which was disagreed to.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, presented for concurrence the bills entitled as follow, viz.

No. 415 "A supplement to the act, entitled An act to incorporate the Lehigh coal and navigation company, passed 13th February, 1822."

No. 416, "An act to enable Abraham Sebolt, surviving trustee, to sell a certain Methodist meeting house, in Jonestown, Lebanon county."

Which bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

He returned the bill No. 22, entitled "An act to authorise the laying out of a state road from Kutztown, in Berks county, to Mauch Chunk, in Northampton county."

And gave information that the Senate have passed said bill without amendment.

Mr. Haines, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 5th ultimo, a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill No. 417, entitled "An act authorising the guardians of the minor children of the Rev. John E. Latta, to sell and convey certain real estate."

Mr. Hottenstein, from the committee to whom was, on yesterday, recommitted the bill No. 408, entitled "An act erecting part of Berks county into a separate county," reported the bill as committed.

Which bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

Mr. Brown of Allegheny, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 15th inst. a letter from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, relative to the purchase of Purdon's Digest, made a report, (No. 236,) accompanied with resolutions, (No. 418,) relative to the further distribution of the laws.

Which were read, and

Laid on the table.

Mr. Haines, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 4th ultimo, a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 419, entitled "An act authorising John Hunter, of the county of Delaware, to sell and convey certain real estate."

Mr. M'Clure, from the committee to whom were referred sundry petitions on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 420, entitled "An act, entitled An act for the improvement of a road leading from Knox's mill, on Larry's creek, in Lycoming county, up said creek to the Block House."

Mr. Haines, from the committee to whom were referred, on the 15th inst. sundry petitions on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 421, entitled "An act to incorporate the Oxford rail road company, of Chester county."

Mr. Haines, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 6th ultimo, a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 422, entitled "An act to annul the marriage contract of Benjamin W. Gardner and Amy his wife."

Mr. Agnew, from the committee to whom was referred an item of unfinished business, reported a bill,

No. 423, entitled "An act authorising the State Treasurer to refund a certain sum of money to Philip Lenhere, of Elizabeth township, Lancaster county."

Which bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

The bill No. 30, entitled "An act to incorporate the Franklin library company, of Ten Mile, in the county of Washington," was read the third time, and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. J. Miller,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Dorrance in the chair, on the resolution No. 352, relative to an aqueduct at Forster's falls, and improvements connected therewith.

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the resolution with amendments.

And, on motion,

The said resolution was read the second time.

And being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Beatty, to postpone the further consideration of the same until to-morrow.

Which was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Rahn,

The House resumed the consideration of the resolution relative to the Pennsylvania canal, postponed the 15th December last.

When a motion was made by Mr. Blair, to amend the same, by striking therefrom these words, "And also the amount paid to persons claiming, who have been injured in consequence of the canal passing through their lands, stating particularly, whether the said damages have been amicably adjusted or otherwise."

Which was disagreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Meredith, to amend the resolution, by striking therefrom these words, "required to report to this House, in addition to the duties enjoined on him by the 12th section of the act, entitled "An act to provide for the commencement of a canal to be constructed at the expense of the state, and to be styled the 'Pennsylvania canal,' passed 25th February, 1826," a detailed statement of moneys paid to the canal commissioners, for services rendered by them respectively, the number of persons employed in the Engineers department, their salary per year, or daily pay of each respectively, and also the amount paid to persons claiming, who have been injured in consequence of the canal passing through their lands, stating particularly, whether the said damages have been amicably adjusted, or otherwise," and inserting in lieu thereof these words, "requested, as soon as practicable, to make the report to this House, which is required by the 12th section of the act, entitled "An act to provide for the commencement of a canal, to be constructed at the

expense of the state, and to be styled the 'Pennsylvania canal,' passed the 25th February, 1826."

When a motion was made by Mr. Brown of Allegheny, to postpone the amendment, together with the resolution, for the present.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the postponement?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Petrikin and Mr. Rahn, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Beatty	Mr. Kerr	Mr. Pennypacker
G. Bell	Knight	Rankin
Binder	Lehman	Ringland
Blair	M'Clure	Shannon
Bonsall	M'Creery	Snyder
Boyd	M'Ewen	Whitlatch
Brown, Allegh.	M'Reynolds	Wilson
Cunningham	R. Miller	Wise
W. B. Foster	Patterson	Ritner, <i>Sp'r.</i>
Harrison	Pearson	
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NAYS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. W. Forster	Mr. Mathewson
Alter	Gebhart	Meredith
Barber	Hetrick	J. Miller
Becker	Hottenstein	Nicholson
Bell, West.	Ihrle	Petrikin
Bertolet	Irwin	Rahn
Bonner	James	Ramsey
Boyer	Kennedy	Scudder
Buyers	Krepps	F. Smith
Cope	Lauman	J. R. C. Smith
Cummin	M'Bride	J. Stevens
Denny	M'Sherry	Tutwiler
Dorrance	Madden	Walker
Dunlap	Martin	Woltersberger
Eldred	Mathews, Cam.	Wolford
Evans	Matheys, Mont.	Woolverton
Farrell		
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So the question was determined in the negative.

And the amendment was disagreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Irwin, to amend the resolution by inserting after "also," in the 10th line, these words, "the claims made by and," and by striking from the same line "claiming."

Which was agreed to.

And the resolution, as amended, was adopted.

Adjourned until half past 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

WEDNESDAY, February 21, 1827.

The Speaker laid before the House a letter, (No. 227,) from the Auditor General, accompanied with a report, (No. 228,) of the settlement of the accounts of the canal commissioners.

Which were read.

When a motion was made by Mr. Petrikin,
That the same be referred to a select committee.

Which was agreed to. And

Ordered, That Messrs. Petrikin, Rahn, F. Smith, Dillinger, Ihrie, M^rSherry and Good be of the committee.

A motion was then made by Mr. Rahn,

That two thousand copies of the said letter and report be printed for the use of the members.

The motion being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Ringland,

To amend the same by striking therefrom "two thousand," and inserting in lieu thereof "usual number of."

And on the question,

Will the House agree so to amend?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Farrell and Mr. Boyer, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Gebhart	Mr. R. Miller
Beatty	Haines	Patterson
G. Bell	Harrison	Pearson
Bell, Leb.	Hergesheimer	Pennypacker
Binder	James	Ramsey
Bonsall	Kerr	Rankin
Boyd	Lawson	Ringland
Brown, Allegh.	Lehman	Shannon
Burden	M ^r Clure	J. R. C. Smith
Cummin	M ^r Creery	Thomas
Cunningham	M ^r Ewen	Whitlatch
Dillinger	M ^r Reynolds	Wilson
Dorrance	Martin	Wise
Duncan	Mathews, Cam.	Woolverton
W. B. Foster	Meredith	

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NAYS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. Bonner	Mr. Eldred
Alter	Boyer	Ellis
Aughinbaugh	Buyers	Evans
Barber	Cope	Farrell
Bell, West.	Dunlap	W. Forster

NAYS.

Mr. Good	Mr. M'Sherry	Mr. Scudder
Hetrick	Madden	F. Smith
Hottenstein	Matheys, Mont.	J. Stevens
Ihrle	J. Miller	Tutwiler
Irwin	Nicholson	Walker
Kennedy	Overholzer	Woltersberger
Krepps	Petrikín	Wolford
Lauman	Rahn	Ritner, Sp'r.
M'Bride		

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So the question was determined in the affirmative.

And the motion as amended was agreed to.

The Speaker laid before the House a letter, (No. 229,) from the Auditor General, relative to the Pennsylvania canal.

Which was read, and

Laid on the table.

Mr. Woolverton presented the petition of Nancy Dunn, of Warren county, accompanied with documents, praying that the right of the commonwealth to the escheated estate of Charles Dougherty, deceased, may be vested in her.

Which were referred to Messrs. Woolverton, Cunningham and Denny.

Mr. Kennedy presented two petitions, from sundry inhabitants of Northampton county, accompanied with a document, praying for a division of the said county.

Mr. Beatty presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Butler county, praying that a state road may be laid out from Butler to Franklin.

Mr. Rahn presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Berks and Schuylkill counties, against the incorporation of coal companies.

Mr. Boyer presented two petitions from sundry inhabitants of Berks county, praying for the repeal of the law authorising the laying out of a state road from Orwigsburg to Stetler's tavern.

Mr. Cope presented a memorial from sundry inhabitants of Montgomery county, remonstrating against the construction of the Pennsylvania canal, and praying for the repeal of the act relative to collateral inheritances.

Mr. Boyer presented two memorials, of like import with the foregoing.

Mr. Whitlatch presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Greene and Washington counties, praying that a state road may be laid out from Zephaniah Beall's, in Washington county, to Little Whitley creek.

Mr. Rankin presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Armstrong county, praying for the erection of a new county out of parts of Armstrong and Venango counties.

Mr. Ihrle presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Northampton county, praying for an appropriation in aid of improving the public road crossing Flint Hill in said county.

Mr. Dunlap presented three remonstrances from sundry inhabitants of Cumberland county, against the laying out of a state road from the west end of the Harrisburg bridge to Sidle's mill.

Mr. Brown of Allegheny, presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Allegheny county, praying for an appropriation in aid of improving the state road from Uniontown to Pittsburg.

And the said petitions, memorials and remonstrances were
Laid on the table.

Mr. Duncan presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of the city of Philadelphia, praying for certain alterations in the militia law, so far as it respects the 1st brigade, 1st division, Pennsylvania militia.

Mr. Boyd presented two petitions, of like import with the foregoing.

Mr. Snyder presented two petitions from sundry members of fire companies, of the city and county of Philadelphia, praying that the members of fire companies may be exempted from the performance of militia duty on days of training.

Mr. Meredith presented a remonstrance from sundry fire-men of the city and county of Philadelphia, against exempting fire-men from militia duty on days of training.

And the said petitions and remonstrance were referred to the committee on the militia system.

Mr. Alter presented the petition of Robert Wright, of Cumberland county, accompanied with documents, stating his services in the revolutionary war, and praying relief.

Mr. Walker presented the petition of Christina House, of Washington county, Maryland, accompanied with a document, stating the services of her late husband, Michael House, in the revolutionary war, and praying relief.

And the said petitions and documents were referred to the committee on claims.

Mr. Hergesheimer presented two remonstrances from sundry inhabitants of Germantown in the county of Philadelphia, against the erection of the said town into a borough.

Which were referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

Mr. Hergesheimer presented a petition from the trustees of the Methodist society in Germantown, in the county of Philadelphia, praying for authority to sell and convey certain real estate.

Which were referred to Messrs. Hergesheimer, F. Smith and Duncan.

Mr. Ihrie presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of East Bethlehem election district, in Northampton county, against changing the place of holding their general elections.

Mr. Ihrie presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Bethlehem and Hanover townships, Northampton county, praying that the place of holding their general elections may be changed to the house of Philip Correll.

Mr. Petrikin presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Walker township, Centre county, praying that the place of hold-

ing their general elections may be changed to the house of John Snyder, junr.

And the said petitions and remonstrance were referred to the committee on election districts.

Mr Eldred presented a copy of the proceedings of a meeting of sundry inhabitants of Pike county, remonstrating against the incorporation of a company for the purpose of constructing a canal on the Delaware river, and praying for the construction of such canal at the expense of the state.

Which was referred to the committee on inland navigation and internal improvement.

Mr. Lawson presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Armstrong, Butler and Mercer counties, praying for an appropriation in aid of making the Roseburg and Mercer turnpike road.

Which was referred to Messrs. Lawson, Cunningham, Woolverton, Duncan and Pennypacker.

Mr. Woolverton presented a petition from the trustees of the first Presbyterian congregation of the borough of Erie, in Erie county, praying that a certain balance due to the commonwealth on lots purchased by the said congregation, may be relinquished.

Which was referred to Messrs. Woolverton, Dunlap and Kerr.

A motion was made by Mr. Alter, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That the committee on inland navigation and internal improvement be instructed to bring in a bill to provide for the construction of a canal, at the expense of the state, commencing at the mouth of the Conodoguinet, through Cumberland and Franklin counties, in a direction towards the Potomac. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time.

And being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Snyder, to amend the same by striking therefrom "bring," and inserting in lieu thereof, "inquire into the expediency of bringing."

Which was agreed to.

And the resolution as amended was adopted.

A motion was made by Mr. J. R. C. Smith, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That when this House adjourns, this afternoon, it will adjourn over to-morrow the 22d February, in honor of the anniversary of the birth day of George Washington. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time.

And being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. J. R. C. Smith, to postpone the further consideration of the same until to-morrow.

Which was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Lehman,

Ordered, That the committee on inland navigation and internal improvement have leave to sit during the sessions of the House.

Mr. M'Creery obtained leave to withdraw the petition and documents of James Templeton.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, presented an extract from their Journal, which was read as follows, viz.

" IN THE SENATE,

FEBRUARY 21, 1827.

On motion,

Ordered. That Messrs. Mann, Petrikin and Kerlin, be a committee to confer with a similar committee of the House of Representatives, (if that House should appoint such committee,) on the subject of the amendments by the House of Representatives, non-concurred in by the Senate, and insisted on by the House of Representatives, to the resolution from the Senate, No. 317, entitled "Resolution for the further distribution of the pamphlet laws of this commonwealth."

Laid on the table.

On motion,

Ordered. That Messrs. Ellis, Shannon and J. Miller, be a committee, in conjunction with a committee of the Senate, to confer upon the amendments to the said resolution, and that the Clerk inform the Senate of the same.

Mr. M'Creery, from the committee on claims, reported a bill,

No. 424, entitled "An act for the relief of Leonard Hanse and Henry Orwig, revolutionary soldiers."

Which bill was read, and

Laid on the table.

Mr. F. Smith, from the committee on the judiciary system, reported the bills entitled as follow, viz.

No. 425, "An act concerning escheated estates."

Which bill was read, and made the order of the day for Wednesday the 28th instant.

No. 426, "An act further to prevent the commission of waste."

Which bill was read, and made the order of the day for Thursday the 1st of March next.

Mr. Ellis, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 19th instant, a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill.

No. 427, entitled "An act to improve the state road leading from the borough of Muncy, in Lycoming county, to Meansville, in Bradford county."

Which bill was read, and

Laid on the table.

Mr. Ellis, from the committee to whom was referred a resolution relative to the purchase of books on the subject of canals and internal improvement, made a report, (No. 230,) accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That the Clerk be directed to purchase for the use of this House, the following printed works, in relation to the subject referred to the committee.

Four copies of the New York canal reports and canal laws,
 Four copies of Strickland's reports,
 Five copies of Mills, on inland navigation,
 Two copies of M'Adams, on roads,
 Two copies of the last editions of Phillips, on internal navigation.

And, on motion,

The said resolution was read the second time.

And, on the question,

Will the House agree to the same?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Petrikin and Mr. Rahn, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. W. B. Foster	Mr. J. Miller
Barber	Haines	R. Miller
Beatty	Harrison	Overholzer
G Bell	Hergesheimer	Patterson
Bell, Leb.	Ihrle	Pearson
Binder	Kennedy	Pennypacker
Bonsall	Kerr	Rankin
Boyd	Knight	Ringland
Brown, Allegh.	Lawson	Scudder
Burden	Lehman	Shannon
Cope	M'Clure	J. R. C. Smith
Cummin	M'Creery	Snyder
Cunningham	M'Ewen	Thomas
Denny	M'Reynolds	Wilsen
Dillinger	M'Sherry	Wise
Dorrance	Madden	Woolverton
Duncan	Martin	Ritner, Sp'r.
Ellis	Matheys, Mont.	

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Mr. Agnew	Mr. W. Forster	Mr. Petrikin
Alter	Gebhart	Rahn
Aughinbaugh	Good	Ramsey
Bell, West.	Hetrick	F. Smith
Bertolet	Hottenstein	J. Stevens
Bonner	James	Tutwiler
Boyer	Krepps	Walker
Buyers	Lauman	Whitlatch
Dunlap	Mathews, Cam.	Woltersberger
Evans	Nicholson	Wolford
Farrell		

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So the question was determined in the affirmative.

Adjourned until 3 o'clock this afternoon.

SAME DAY.

On motion of Mr. Rahn,

The House resumed the second reading of the bill No. 10, postponed on the 5th ultimo, entitled "An act to improve the Norwegian creek, in Schuylkill county."

When a motion was made by Mr. Rahn, that the said bill be re-committed to a committee of the whole House, for the purpose of amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Whereupon,

The House again resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Bertolet in the chair, on the said bill.

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with amendments.

And, on motion,

The said bill was read the second time.

And the sections were severally considered and agreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Boyd, further to amend the bill by adding thereto the following new section, viz.

Section 6. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That the legislature reserve the power of altering, amending or repealing this act, at any time they may deem the same, or any part thereof, injurious to the public interest.

Which was disagreed to.

The title was considered and agreed to. And

Ordered, That the bill be transcribed for the third reading.

The bill from the Senate, No. 217, entitled "An act to empower John Miles and Joseph Miles, surviving executors of Samuel Miles, late of Montgomery county, deceased, to sell and convey certain real estate therein mentioned," was read the second time.

And the section was considered and agreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Boyer, to amend the same by adding thereto the following new section, viz.

Section 2. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That John Fritz, guardian of Samuel, James and William Sands, minor children of Mary Sands, deceased, be and he is hereby authorised to make, execute and deliver unto George V. Buskirk, a deed or conveyance of a certain house and lot of land, situate in the borough of Pottstown, in the county of Montgomery, conveying and confirming unto the said George V. Buskirk, his heirs and assigns, all the right, title and interest of the said Samuel, James and William Sands, both in law and equity, as fully and effectually as they themselves could do if they were of full age: *Provided;*

nevertheless, that all the purchase money shall have been paid, or shall be secured to be paid, to the said guardian, by the said George V. Buskirk, and the bond of indemnity given by the said guardian, shall be given up and cancelled.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the new section?

It was determined in the affirmative.

The title was considered and agreed to, being amended by adding thereto, "And authorising John Fritz, guardian of Samuel, James and William Sands, minors under the age of fourteen years, to execute and deliver a deed for a house and lot of land in Pottstown. And

Ordered, That the bill be prepared for the third reading.

The bill from the Senate, No. 115, entitled "An act authorising the sale and conveyance of the right of the heirs of George Taylor, to a tract of land in Washington county," was read the second time.

And the section was considered and agreed to.

When, on motion of Mr. Scudder, the said bill was recommit-
ted to a committee of the whole House, Mr. Pennypacker in the
chair, for the purpose of amendment.

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported
the bill with amendments.

Whereupon,

The said bill was read the second time, considered and agreed
to. And

Ordered to be prepared for the third reading.

The title being amended by adding thereto these words, "And
also to authorise Mary, Jacob, Frederick, John, Joseph, Andrew
and Mary Bumgarner, (the younger,) and John Snyder, and Eliza-
beth his wife, formerly Elizabeth Bumgarner, to make sale or
partition of certain real estate."

The bill from the Senate, No. 116, entitled "An act to author-
ise the making of an index to the road dockets in the office of the
clerk of the court of quarter sessions of Lancaster county,"
was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered to be prepared for the third reading, the title being
amended so as to read as follows, viz. "An act relative to cer-
tain books of record within this commonwealth."

The bill from the Senate, No. 117, entitled "An act authoris-
ing Jacob Zook, trustee of the Great Valley Ominist Society, in
Chester county, to sell and convey a certain real estate therein
mentioned," was read the second time, considered and agreed
to. And

Ordered to be prepared for the third reading.

The bill from the Senate, No. 130, entitled "A further supple-
ment to the act, entitled An act to raise and collect county
rates and levies," was read the second time, considered and
agreed to. And

Ordered to be prepared for the third reading.

The bill from the Senate, No. 176, entitled "An act to make valid certain acts of Charles Deshler, a justice of the peace," was read the second time. And

The first section was considered and agreed to.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the second section?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Farrell and Mr. Wise, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. Good	Mr. R. Miller
Alter	Haines	Nicholson
Atkinson	Harrison	Overholzer
Aughinbaugh	Hergesheimer	Patterson
Barber	Hetrick	Pearson
Beatty	Hottenstein	Pennypacker
G. Bell	Ihrle	Petrikina
Bell, Leb.	Irwin	Rahn
Bell, West.	James	Ramsey
Bertolet	Kennedy	Rankin
Binder	Kerr	Ringland
Blair	Knight	Scudder
Bonner	Krepps	Shannon
Bonsall	Lauman	J. R. C. Smith
Boyd	Lawson	Snyder
Boyer	M'Bride	P. Stephens
Burden	M'Clure	J. Stevens
Buyers	M'Creery	Thomas
Cope	M'Ewen	Tutwiler
Cummin	M'Reynolds	Walker
Denny	M'Sherry	Whitlatch
Dillinger	Madden	Wilson
Duncan	Martin	Wise
Dunlap	Mathews, Cam.	Wolfsberger
Evans	Matheys, Mont.	Wolford
W. Forster	Mathewson	Woolverton
W. B. Foster	Meredith	Ritner, Sp'r.
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So the question was determined in the affirmative.

A motion was then made by Mr. P. Stephens, to amend the bill by adding thereto the following new section, viz.

Section 3. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That all the official acts of Charles Chandler the second, of Gibson township, Susquehanna county, a constable for said township, elected for the year 1826, done by him since his last election to the present time, and which he shall do until the next ensuing election, and until he shall be legally discharged, be and the

same are hereby declared to be legal and valid, and shall be regarded in all courts of justice and elsewhere, to all intents and purposes, as if the said Charles Chandler the second had not served as constable for any year within the last six years preceding his last election.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the new section?

It was determined in the affirmative.

The title was considered and agreed to, being amended so as to read as follows, viz. "An act to make valid certain acts of Charles Deshlar and James Keenan, justices of the peace, and of Charles Chandler, a constable." And

Ordered, That the bill be prepared for the third reading.

The bill from the Senate, No. 186, entitled "An act for the appointment of an inspector of pot and pearl ashes for the port of Philadelphia, and for regulating the inspection of the same," was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered, That the bill be prepared for the third reading.

The bill from the Senate, No. 187, entitled "An act authorising the laying out a state road in Beaver and Mercer counties, and also in Beaver and Allegheny counties," was read the second time. And

The first, second, third and fourth sections were severally considered and agreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Tutwiler, to amend the bill by adding thereto the following new section, viz.

Section 5. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid*, That William Duffield, of Bedford county, and Joseph Roller and Maxwell Kincaid, of Huntingdon county, be and they are hereby appointed commissioners to view, lay out and make a state road from the northern turnpike road, beginning at or near the house of Maxwell Kincaid, in Huntingdon county, thence the nearest and best way, crossing Tussy's mountain, to intersect the southern turnpike, at or near M'Connellsburg, Bedford county."

And on the question,

Will the House agree so to amend?

It was determined in the affirmative.

The remaining sections and title were severally considered and agreed to, the title being amended by adding thereto, "and for other purposes." And

Ordered, That the bill be prepared for the third reading.

On motion of Mr. M'Creery,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Bonsall in the chair, on the bill No. 44, entitled "An act for the relief of John Davis and John Ohl, soldiers of the revolutionary war."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with amendments.

Agreeably to leave given,

The House again resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Shannon in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 318, entitled "A further supplement to the act, entitled An act to establish a board of wardens for the port of Philadelphia, and for the regulation of pilots and pilotage, and for other purposes therein mentioned."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

Leave was granted. And

Ordered, That the committee of the whole sit again on Monday the 26th inst.

Agreeably to leave given,

The House again resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Petrikin in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 109, entitled "An act establishing the rates of ferriages at Greensburg, Greene county."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

Leave was granted. And

Ordered, That the committee of the whole sit again on to-morrow.

Adjourned until half past 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

THURSDAY, February 22, 1827.

The Secretary of the Commonwealth being introduced, presented a message, (No. 231,) from the Governor, accompanied with a copy, (No. 232,) of a communication from the inspectors of the Pittsburg penitentiary, and a copy, (No. 233,) of resolutions of the legislature of Ohio, relative to an amendment of the constitution of the United States.

Which were read, and

Laid on the table.

Mr. Duncan presented a remonstrance from sundry merchants, flour factors and other citizens of Philadelphia, against alterations in the law relative to the inspection of flour.

Which was referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

Mr. Beatty presented the petition of John Welsh, of Butler

county, accompanied with a document, stating his services in defence of his country, and praying relief.

Mr. G. Bell presented the petition of George Williams of Clearfield county, accompanied with documents, stating his services in the revolutionary war, and praying relief.

Mr. Wilson presented the petition of Robert Maxwell, of Huntingdon county, accompanied with documents, stating his services in the revolutionary war, and praying relief.

And the said petitions and documents were referred to the committee on claims.

Mr. Kerr presented a memorial from sundry stockholders of the Washington and Williamsport turnpike company, praying that the said company may be dissolved, and that a new company under the same style and title may be incorporated.

Which was referred to the members from Washington, Westmoreland, Somerset and Bedford counties.

Mr. Binder presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Philadelphia, praying for certain alterations in the militia law, so far as relates to the 1st brigade, 1st division, Pennsylvania militia.

Mr. Lehman presented a petition of like import with the foregoing.

Mr. Bonsall presented two petitions from sundry firemen of Philadelphia, praying to be exempted from militia duty on days of training.

And the said petitions were referred to the committee on the militia system.

Mr. Bell of Lebanon presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Lebanon county, praying that a state road may be laid out from the widow Plesterer's tavern, in Lancaster county, to Shaffertown.

Mr. Rahn presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Schuylkill county, against the incorporation of coal companies.

Mr. Snyder presented two petitions from sundry inhabitants of Schuylkill county, praying for the incorporation of coal companies.

Mr. Rankin presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Pine creek township, Jefferson county, praying for the passage of a law for the relief of Joseph M'Cullough, a supervisor of the said township.

Mr. Cope presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Berks, Lehigh and Montgomery counties, praying for an appropriation in aid of improving the Maxatawny and Macungie roads.

Mr. Dunlap presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Cumberland county, against changing the times of holding the courts in the said county.

Mr. Wolford presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of York, Adams and Cumberland counties, praying that a state road may be laid out from Dillsburg to the Menallin road near Berlin.

And the said petitions and remonstrances were

Laid on the table.

Mr. M'Reynolds presented the petition of Jonathan Lodge, of Columbia county, praying for an inquiry into the official conduct of Seth Chapman, president judge of the 8th judicial district.

Which was read, and

Laid on the table.

Mr. Cunningham presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Mercer county, praying for an appropriation in aid of the erection of a bridge over Shenango creek at Sharon.

Which was referred to Messrs. Cunningham, Woolverton and Shannon.

Mr. Ihrie presented two petitions from sundry inhabitants of East Penn township, Northampton county, praying that a part of the said township may be erected into a separate election district, and the elections thereof held at the town house, in Mauch Chunk.

Which were referred to the committee on election districts.

Mr. Wise presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Westmoreland county, against a review of the state road from Johnstown to New Alexandria.

Which was referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

Mr. Farrell presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Westmoreland county, praying that the turnpike roads within this commonwealth may be converted into free roads.

Which was referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

Mr. Mathewson presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Bradford county, praying that Wysox creek, from Barne's mill to Lint's saw mill, may be declared a public highway.

Which was referred to Messrs. Mathewson, P. Stephens and Matheys of Montgomery.

On motion of Mr. Bonsall,

Ordered, That the petition of William Pool, presented on the 13th inst. be referred to Messrs. Bonsall, Binder and Irwin.

On motion of Mr. M'Creery,

Ordered, That the committee on claims be discharged from the further consideration of the petitions of John Negley, James Board, Frederick Wiles and Isaac Steel, and that the petitioners have leave to withdraw their petitions and documents.

On motion of Mr. W. Forster,

Ordered, That Monday afternoon next be appropriated to the consideration of bills from the Senate.

On motion of Mr. F. Smith,

Ordered, That the committee on the judiciary system be discharged from the further consideration of the petition of Comfort Budge.

A motion was made by Mr. Ihrie, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That the committee on the judiciary system be instructed to inquire into the expediency of providing by law, that

in all cases where an executor or administrator dies or is removed from the trust, leaving the estate of his testator or intestate unsettled, it shall and may be lawful for the administrator *de bonis non* to receive the amount of property due the estate he represents, from his predecessor in the trust, or from the executor or administrator of his predecessor, and on refusal to pay over the same, to sue for and recover it by due course of law. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, presented for concurrence the bill No. 428, entitled "A supplement to an act, entitled An act for the promotion of agriculture and domestic manufactures."

Which bill was read, and

Laid on the table.

He returned the bill No. 9, entitled "An act for the preservation of the records in the office of the deputy surveyor, in the county of Washington, and for other purposes."

And gave information,

That the Senate have passed said bill with one amendment, in which the concurrence of the House of Representatives is requested.

The said amendment was read.

And being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Meredith, to postpone the further consideration of the same for the present.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Hergesheimer, from the committee to whom was, on yesterday, referred a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 429, entitled "An act to authorise the trustees of the Methodist meeting house, in Germantown, in the county of Philadelphia, to dispose of the same."

Mr. Mathewson, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 20th inst. a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 430, entitled "A supplement to an act, entitled An act appropriating certain taxes arising on unseated lands, for the improvement of certain state roads, passed the 24th day of February, 1828."

Which bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

The bill No. 10, entitled "An act to improve the Norwegian creek, in Schuylkill county," was read the third time and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

The bills from the Senate entitled as follow were severally read the third time and passed, viz.

No. 150, "A further supplement to the act, entitled An act to raise and collect county rates and levies."

No. 117, "An act authorising Jacob Zook, trustee of the Great Valley Ominist society, in Chester county, to sell and convey certain real estate therein mentioned." And

Ordered, That the Clerk return the said bills to the Senate.

The bills from the Senate entitled as follow, were severally read the third time and passed, viz.

No. 186, "An act for the appointment of an inspector of pot and pearl ashes for the port of Philadelphia, and for regulating the inspection of the same."

No. 115, "An act authorising the sale and conveyance of the right of the heirs of George Taylor, to a tract of land in Washington county."

No. 116, "An act to authorise the making of an index to the road docketts in the office of the clerk of the court of quarter sessions of Lancaster county."

No. 187, "An act authorising the laying out a state road in Beaver and Mercer counties, and also in Beaver and Allegheny counties"

No. 217, "An act to empower John Miles and Joseph Miles, surviving executors of Samuel Miles, late of Montgomery county, deceased, to sell and convey certain real estate therein mentioned." And

Ordered, That the Clerk return the said bills to the Senate, and request their concurrence in the amendments thereto by this House.

The bill from the Senate No. 176, entitled "An act to make valid certain acts of Charles Deshler, a justice of the peace," was read the third time.

And on the question,

Shall the same pass?

A motion was made by Mr. Farrell, to postpone the question, together with the bill, for the present.

Which was disagreed to.

And the question recurring,

Shall the bill pass?

It was determined in the affirmative. And

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate, and request their concurrence in the amendments thereto by this House.

The House resumed the consideration of the resolution, No. 352, postponed on the 20th inst. relative to an aqueduct at Foster's Falls and improvements connected therewith.

When a motion was made by Mr. Petrikin, that the House adjourn.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Alter and Mr. Tutwiler, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. W. B. Foster	Mr. Martin
Binder	Gebhart	Mathews, Cam.
Bonsall	Harrison	Matheys, Mont.
Boyd	Hergesheimer	Meredith
Brown, Allegh.	Hottenstein	Petrikina
Cummin	Ihrig	Ringland
Cunningham	James	Snyder
Dillinger	Knight	P. Stephens
Dorrance	M'Creery	Thomas
Duncan	M'Reynolds	Walker
Eldred	Mallery	Ritner, Sp'r.
Ellis		

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Mr. Agnew	Mr. Haines	Mr. Overholzer
Alter	Hetrick	Patterson
Aughinbaugh	Irwin	Pearson
Barber	Kennedy	Pennypacker
Beatty	Kerr	Ramsey
G. Bell	Krepps	Rankin
Bell, Leb.	Lauman	Scudder
Bell, West.	Lawson	Shannon
Bertolet	Lehman	F. Smith
Bonner	M'Bride	J. R. C. Smith
Boyer	M'Clure	J. Stevens
Burden	M'Ewen	Tutwiler
Cope	M'Sherry	Whitlatch
Dunlap	Madden	Wilson
Evans	Mathewson	Wise
Farrell	J. Miller	Wolfsberger
W. Forster	R. Miller	Wolford
Good	Nicholson	

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So the question was determined in the negative.

A motion was then made by Mr. Scudder, to postpone the further consideration of the resolution for the present.

Which was agreed to.

The House resumed the consideration of the resolution postponed on yesterday, relative to the birth day of Washington.

When a motion was made by Mr. J. R. C. Smith, to amend the same so as to read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That in honor of the anniversary of the birth of George Washington, this House do now adjourn.

Which was agreed to.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the resolution as amended?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. J. Miller and Mr. Tutwiler, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Beatty	Mr. Harrison	Mr. Overholzer
Bell, West.	Hergesheimer	Patterson
Bertolet	Hottenstein	Pearson
Binder	Knight	Pennypacker
Bonner	Krepps	Rankin
Bonsall	Lauman	Ringland
Boyd	Lawson	Scudder
Brown, Allegh.	Lehman	J. R. C. Smith
Burden	M'Clure	Snyder
Cummin	M'Creery	P. Stephens
Cunningham	M'Reynolds	J. Stevens
Dillinger	M'Sherry	Thomas
Dorrance	Mallery	Tutwiler
Duncan	Martin	Wilson
Ellis	Matheys, Mont.	Wise
W. B. Foster	Mathewson	Wolfersberger
Good	Meredith	Wolford
Haines	R. Miller	Ritner, Sp'r. 54

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Mr. Agnew	Mr. Evans	Mr. M'Ewen
Alter	Farrell	Madden
Atkinson	W. Forster	Mathews, Cam.
Aughinbaugh	Gebhart	J. Miller
Barber	Hetrick	Nicholson
G. Bell	Irwin	Petrikina
Bell Leb.	James	Ramsey
Boyer	Kennedy	F. Smith
Buyers	Kerr	Walker
Cope	M'Bride	Whitlatch
Dunlap		

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So the question was determined in the affirmative.

Adjourned until half past 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

FRIDAY, February 23, 1827.

Mr. Kerr presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of the western part of this state, praying that measures may be taken for the abolition of slavery in the United States.

Mr. Irwin presented a petition of like import with the foregoing.

Which were referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

Mr. Rahn presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Schuylkill county, against the incorporation of coal companies.

Mr. Buyers presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Lancaster county, praying for the passage of a law laying a tax on dogs in the said county.

And the said petition and remonstrance were

Laid on the table.

Mr. M'Creery presented the petition of Christiana House, of the state of Maryland, accompanied with documents, praying that the pension granted to her late husband, Michael House, for his services in the revolutionary war, may be continued to her.

Mr. Scudder presented the petition of James Burk, of Northumberland county, accompanied with documents, stating his services in the revolutionary war, and praying relief.

And the said petitions and documents were referred to the committee on claims.

Mr. Barber presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of the towns of Washington and Charleston, in Lancaster county, praying that the said towns may be erected into a borough.

Which was referred to the members from the said county.

Mr. Overholzer presented three petitions from sundry inhabitants of Cocalico and Earl townships, Lancaster county, praying that parts of the said townships may be erected into a separate election district, and the elections thereof held at the house of John Gross.

Which were referred to the committee on election districts.

Mr. Ihrie presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Northampton county, praying that the Delaware bridge company at Easton, may be required to lay before the legislature a statement of their accounts, and to reduce their tolls.

Which was referred to Messrs. Ihrie, Boyd and Ramsey.

A motion was made by Mr. M'Reynolds, that the petition of Jonathan Lodge, complaining of the official conduct of judge Chapman, presented on yesterday, be referred to a select committee.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. M'Reynolds and Mr. Wise, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. G. Bell	Mr. Cunningham	Mr. Mathewson
Bonner	Farrell	Petrikina
Brown, Allegh.	M'Bride	P. Stephens
Cummin	M'Reynolds	Woolverton 12

NAYS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. Good	Mr. H. Miller
Alter	Haines	J. Miller
Atkinson	Harrison	R. Miller
Aughinbaugh	Hergesheimer	Nicholson
Barber	Hetrick	Overholzer
Beatty	Hottenstein	Patterson
Bell, Leb.	Ihrle	Pearson
Bell, West.	Irwin	Pennypacker
Bertolet	James	Rahn
Binder	Kennedy	Ramsey
Blair	Kerr	Rankin
Buyers	Knight	Ringland
Cope	Krepps	F. Smith
Denny	Lauman	Thomas
Dillinger	Lehman	Tutwiler
Dunlap	M'Creery	Walker
Ellis	M'Ewen	Whitlatch
Evans	M'Sherry	Wilson
Fackenthall	Madden	Wise
W. Forster	Martin	Wolfersberger
W. B. Foster	Mathews, Cam.	Wolford
Gebhart	Meredith	Ritner, Sp'r. 66

So the question was determined in the negative.

A motion was made by Mr. Overholzer, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That this House meet on Tuesday afternoon next, at 3 o'clock, for the purpose of considering bill No. 172, for raising, by way of lottery, sixty thousand dollars, for the purpose of supplying the city of Lancaster with water; and bill No. 123, to enable the Chambersburg water company to raise a sum of money, by way of lottery; and bill No. 301, entitled "An act to enable Robert Wilkinson, of Fayette county, to dispose of his property by way of lottery." And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time.

And being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Harrison, to postpone the further consideration of the same for the present.

Which was disagreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Overholzer, to amend the same by inserting after "afternoon," "the 6th day of March."

Which was agreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Binder, further to amend the resolution by adding thereto "and all bills on the files in relation to lotteries."

Which was disagreed to.

And the resolution as amended was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Atkinson,

Ordered, That an item of unfinished business, relative to the claim of Henry Bole, be referred to Messrs. Atkinson, Cunningham and G. Bell.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, returned the bill No. 163, entitled, "An act to repeal in part, An act to improve the leading roads in M'Kean and Jefferson counties."

And gave information, that the Senate have passed said bill with one amendment, in which the concurrence of the House of Representatives is requested.

The amendment by the Senate to the said bill was read, considered and concurred in. And

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate of the same.

The Clerk of the Senate also informed that the Senate have concurred in the amendments made by the House of Representatives to the bills from the Senate, entitled as follow, viz.

No. 176, "An act to make valid certain acts of Charles Deshler, a justice of the peace."

No. 186, "An act for the appointment of an inspector of pot or pearl ashes for the port of Philadelphia, and for regulating the inspection of the same."

No. 217, "An act to empower John Miles and Joseph Miles, surviving executors of Samuel Miles, late of Montgomery county, deceased, to sell and convey certain real estate therein mentioned."

No. 116, "An act to authorise the making of an index to the road dockets in the office of the clerk of the court of quarter sessions of Lancaster county."

No. 187, "An act authorising the laying out a state road in Beaver and Mercer counties, and also in Beaver and Allegheny counties."

Mr. Boyer obtained leave of absence for a few days.

Mr. Dillinger, from the committee appointed to compare bills and present them to the Governor for his approbation, made report, which was read as follows, viz.

That in conjunction with a similar committee from the Senate, they have compared and on this day presented to the Governor for his approbation, the bills entitled as follow, viz.

An act granting to John Dickson, of the borough of Erie, a certain lot of ground.

An act to exempt from taxation the property of the Pennsylvania institution for the deaf and dumb.

An act to authorise the laying out of a state road from Kutztown, in Berks county, to Mauch Chunk, in Northampton county.

Laid on the table.

Mr. Harrison, from the committee of ways and means, to whom was committed the bill No. 156, entitled "An act to raise a sum of money, by way of lottery, to pay the debts of the turnpike companies," reported the bill as committed.

Mr. Harrison, from the committee of ways and means, to whom was committed the bill No. 93, entitled "An act establishing a lottery to be styled the Pennsylvania state lottery," reported the bill with amendments.

Which bills were read, and made the orders of the day for Wednesday the 28th inst.

Mr. Mathewson, from the committee to whom was, on yesterday, referred a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 431, entitled "A further supplement to an act, entitled An act declaring Wysox creek, from the mouth thereof to Jacob Myer's mill dam, in the county of Luzerne, a public stream or highway."

Which bill was read, and

Laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Meredith.

The House resumed the consideration of the amendments by the Senate, postponed on yesterday, to the bill No. 9, entitled "An act for the preservation of the records in the office of the deputy surveyor, in the county of Washington, and for other purposes."

When a motion was made by Mr. Meredith, to amend the same, by inserting in the second section, 6th line, after "required," these words, "under the direction of the president judges of the same courts respectively," and in the 8th line, after "offices as," these words, "in the opinion of the said president judges respectively;" and in the 11th line, after "time," these words, "in the opinion of the said president judges respectively;" and in the 14th line, after "rebound," these words, "in the opinion of the said president judges respectively."

Which was agreed to.

And the amendments as amended were concurred in. And

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate of the same, and request their concurrence in the amendments by this House to the amendments by the Senate to the said bill.

On motion of Mr. Brown of Allegheny,

The rule for going into a committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with, the resolutions, No. 418, relative to the further distribution of the laws, were read the second time.

And the first resolution being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. M'Bride, to amend the same by adding thereto these words, "and also to transmit to each justice of the peace and alderman one copy, who have not received the same under the provision of a resolution passed the eighteenth day of January, one thousand eight hundred and twenty.

Which was disagreed to.

And the first resolution was adopted.

The second resolution was considered and adopted. And *Ordered*, That the Clerk present the said resolutions to the Senate for concurrence.

The House resumed the consideration of the bill No. 353, entitled "An act to prohibit hereafter perpetual ground rents."

And the motion recurring, to wit:

That the committee of the whole be discharged from the further consideration of the said bill, and that the same be postponed indefinitely.

The motion was modified as follows,

That the committee of the whole be discharged from the further consideration of the said bill, and that the same be recommended to the early attention of the next legislature.

Which was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Meredith,

The House resumed the consideration of the bill No. 197, entitled "An act to endow the house of refuge, and for other purposes therein mentioned."

And the first section recurring,

On the question,

Will the House agree to the same?

It was determined in the affirmative.

The fourth section recurring,

A motion was made by Mr. Meredith, to amend the same, by adding thereto the following proviso, viz.

And provided, That this section shall not be construed to apply to children received into the said house of refuge from the city and county of Philadelphia, or to repeal or affect the sixth section of an act, entitled "An act to incorporate the subscribers to the articles of association for the purpose of establishing and conducting an institution for the confinement and reformation of youthful delinquents, under the title of 'the house of refuge,' passed the twenty-third day of March, one thousand eight hundred and twenty-six."

Which was agreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Meredith further to amend the section by inserting after "county," in the 3d line, "except the county of Philadelphia," and after "city," in the 4th line, "except the city of Philadelphia."

Which amendments were agreed to.

And the section as amended was agreed to.

The title was considered and agreed to.

And on the question,

Shall the bill be transcribed for the third reading?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Alter and Mr. Bell of Lebanon, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Barber	Mr. Fackenthall	Mr. R. Miller
Beatty	W. B. Foster	Patterson
G. Bell	Good	Pearson
Bertolet	Haines	Pennypacker
Binder	Harrison	Petrikín
Bonner	Hergesheimer	Ramsey
Bonsall	Irwin	Scudder
Boyd	Knight	Shannon
Burden	Krepps	F. Smith
Cummin	Lehman	J. R. C. Smith
Cunningham	M'Creery	Snyder
Denny	M'Ewen	Thomas
Dillinger	M'Sherry	Tutwiler
Dorrance	Meredith	Woolverton
Duncan	H. Miller	Ritner, Sp'r.
Ellis		

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NAYS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. Gebhart	Mr. J. Miller
Alter	Hetrick	Nicholson
Aughinbaugh	Hottenstein	Overholzer
Bell, Leb.	Ihrie	Rankin
Bell, West.	James	Ringland
Blair	Kennedy	Walker
Buyers	Kerr	Whitlatch
Dunlap	Lauman	Wilson
Eldred	Lawson	Wise
Evans	M'Bride	Wolfsberger
Farrell	M'Reynolds	Wolford
W. Forster	Mathews, Cam.	

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So the question was determined in the affirmative:

Adjourned until 3 o'clock this afternoon.

SAME DAY.

The Secretary of the Commonwealth being introduced, presented a message from the Governor, which was read as follows, viz.

To the Senate and House of Representatives of the commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

GENTLEMEN,

I have this day approved and signed the following acts of the General Assembly, and directed the Secretary of the Commonwealth to return them to the House of Representatives, in which they originated, viz.

An act to authorise the laying out of a state road from Kutztown, in Berks county, to Mauch Chunk, in Northampton county.

An act granting to John Dickson, of the borough of Erie, a certain lot of ground.

An act to exempt from taxation the property of the Pennsylvania institution for the deaf and dumb.

J. ANDW. SHULZE.

Harrisburg, February 23, 1827.

Laid on the table.

The bill No. 44, entitled "An act for the relief of John Davis and John Ohl, soldiers of the revolutionary war," was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered to be transcribed for the third reading, the title being amended so as to read as follows, viz. "An act for the relief of sundry soldiers, and widows of soldiers, of the revolutionary war."

On motion of Mr. M'Creery,

The rule which prohibits the reading of bills twice on the same day, being in this case dispensed with, the said bill was read the third time and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to leave given,

The House again resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Petrikin in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 109, entitled "An act establishing the rates of ferriage at Greensburg, Greene county."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with amendments.

Agreeably to leave given,

The House again resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Good in the chair, on the bill No. 35, entitled "An act for the relief of the heirs and assigns of John Clarke."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the 1st section negatived.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the report of the committee of the whole?

It was determined in the affirmative.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr

Barber in the chair, on the bill No. 37, entitled "An act to annex part of Somerset county to Fayette county."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the 1st section negatived.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the report of the committee of the whole?

It was determined in the affirmative.

Adjourned until half past 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.



SATURDAY, February 24, 1827.

Mr. Mathews of Cambria presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Conemaugh township, Somerset county, praying that the place of holding their general elections may be changed to the house of Joseph Yodder.

Mr. Scudder presented four petitions from sundry inhabitants of Lower Mahonoy township, Northumberland county, praying that the place of holding their general elections may be changed to the house of Michael Emrick.

Mr. Scudder presented two remonstrances from sundry inhabitants of Lower Mahonoy township, Northumberland county, against changing the place of holding their general elections.

Mr. Aughinbaugh presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Fannett township, Franklin county, praying that the place of holding their general elections may be changed to Doyle's school house.

Mr. Bell of Westmoreland presented two petitions from sundry inhabitants of North Huntingdon township, Westmoreland county, praying that the said township may be erected into two election districts—The elections in the southern district, to be held at the house of Elizabeth Carnahan, and the elections in the northern district, to be held at the house of William S. Kelly.

And the said petitions and remonstrances were referred to the committee on election districts.

Mr. M'Sherry presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Mount Pleasant township, in Adams county, praying that the said township may be erected into a separate election district, and the elections thereof held at the house of Samuel Swope.

Mr. Lawson presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Centre township, Indiana county, against separating the borough of Indiana, for certain purposes, from the said township,

Mr. Harrison presented four petitions from sundry inhabitants of Bucks county, praying for a division of the said county.

And the said petitions were

Laid on the table.

Mr. Fackenthall presented two petitions from sundry inhabitants of Bucks county, praying for the repeal of the act relative to collateral inheritances.

Which were referred to the committee of ways and means.

Mr. Wolford presented a petition from the administrators of the estate of Doct. John Musser, late of York county, deceased, accompanied with a document, praying for authority to convey certain real estate therein mentioned.

Which were referred to Messrs Wolford, Ihrie and Wilson.

Mr. Fackenthall presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Bucks county, praying for the passage of a law more effectually providing for the paying over of costs by prothonotaries and clerks of courts.

Which was referred to the committee on the judiciary system.

Mr. Mathewson presented the petition of the Pedo Baptist Congregational society of Smithfield, in Bradford county, praying for an act of incorporation.

Which was referred to Messrs. Mathewson, Ellis and Matheys of Montgomery.

A motion was made by Mr. Irwin and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That for the remainder of the session this House will meet in the afternoons of Tuesdays and Thursdays, at 3 o'clock, and that Tuesday afternoons be appropriated to private bills.

And, on motion,

The said resolution was read the second time.

And being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Meredith, to postpone the same for the present.

Which was agreed to.

A motion was made by Mr. Irwin, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives, That the legislature will, on Tuesday, the 27th day of March next, adjourn *sine die*.

Laid on the table.

Mr. Snyder and Mr. Pearson obtained leave of absence for a few days.

Mr. Irwin, from the committee to whom were referred the memorials from sundry citizens of this Commonwealth, requesting the legislature to aid in effecting the abolition of slavery, in the United States, made a report, (No. 234,) accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That the committee be discharged from the further consideration of the subject, and that it be recommended to the early and earnest attention of the next legislature.

And on motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

Mr. Ellis, from the committee appointed to confer with a committee of the Senate, on the amendments, to the resolutions relative to a further distribution of the pamphlet laws, made report, which was read as follows, viz.

That they recommend to their respective houses the adoption of the following amendments to the amendments made by the House of Representatives, to the said resolutions.

Resolution 2d. In the 4th line, strike out as follows, "bound in leather may," and insert in lieu, "half bound shall, upon payment of fifty cents."

In the 15th line, strike out the words "bound in leather," and insert in lieu, "half bound."

In the 16th line, strike out the words "a price," and insert in lieu, "the price of fifty cents."

In the 16th and 17th lines, strike out the words "sufficient to defray the expenses of," and insert in lieu, "for,"

In the 21st line strike out the words, "One thousand," and insert in lieu, "as aforesaid, five hundred."

Second resolve, make it read as follows viz.

And be it further resolved, that on the receipt of the said copies of the laws, by each county treasurer, he shall give notice thereof in one news paper printed in the place nearest his residence, and shall, on being applied to, deliver the copies to the persons who have subscribed for the same, and the county treasurers, respectively, shall on or before the second Tuesday of December, in each year, render on account, under oath or affirmation, to the Auditor General, of the number of copies of the laws distributed by them in conformity thereto, and pay over to the state treasurer all moneys received by them, respectively, from the sales thereof deducting therefrom a commission of five per cent. and the costs of publication. And

On motion,

The said report was read the second time, considered and adopted. And

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate of the same.

Mr. Woolverton, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 21st inst. a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill No 432, entitled "An act to relinquish the balance due the commonwealth on certain in lots, in the borough of Erie, to the first Presbyterian congregation, of said borough.

Mr. Atkinson, from the committee to whom was, on yesterday referred, that item of unfinished business, reported a bill, No 433, entitled "An act for the relief of Henry Bole."

Which bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

Mr. Snyder, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 3d inst. a memorial from the Kensington district of the Northern

Liberties, in the county of Philadelphia, praying for the passage of law to secure to the said district a portion of a fund appropriated for the purchase and improvement of certain public landings, asked leave to report by bill.

And on the question,
Shall the committee have leave?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Binder and Mr. M'Ewen, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. Evans	Mr. H. Miller
Alter	Farrell	Nicholson
Atkinson	W. Forster	Overholzer
Aughinbaugh	W. B. Foster	Patterson
Barber	Gebhart	Pearson
Beatty	Good	Petrikiri
G. Bell	Harrison	Rahn
Bell Leb.	Hergesheimer	Rankin
Bell, West.	Hetrick	Ringland
Bertolet	Hottenstein	Scudder
Bonner	Ihrrie	F. Smith
Bonsall	Irwin	J. R. C. Smith
Boyd	James	Snyder
Brown, Allegh.	Kennedy	P. Stephens
Burden	Kerr	Thomas
Buyers	Knight	Tutwiler
Cope	Krepps	Walker
Cummin	Lauman	Whitlatch
Cunningham	M'Creery	Wilson
Dillinger	M'Reynolds	Wise
Dorrance	Madden	Wolfsberger
Duncan	Mathews, Cam.	Wolford
Dunlap	Matheys, Mont.	Woolverton
Ellis	Mathewson	Ritner, Sp'r. 72

NAYS.

Mr. Binder	Mr. M'Sherry	Mr. Pennypacker
Lawson	Meredith	Ramsey
M'Ewen	R. Miller	

So the question was determined in the affirmative.

Whereupon,

Mr. Snyder, from the said committee reported a bill, No. 434, entitled "An act to annul the trust of certain public landings and wharves in the Northern Liberties, Philadelphia county, vested in the commissioners of the incorporated district of the Northern Liberties, and for other purposes."

Which bill was read, and
Laid on the table.

Mr. G. Bell, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 14th inst. a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill No. 435, entitled "An act to encourage the destruction of bears."

Which bill was read, and made the order of the day for Saturday, the 3d of March next.

Mr. Barber, from the committee to whom was, on yesterday, referred a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill, No. 436, entitled "An act to erect the villages of Washington and Charleston, in the county of Lancaster, into a borough, to be called the borough of Washington."

Mr. Rankin, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 20th inst. a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill, No. 437, entitled "An act to repeal in part an act, entitled "An act for the relief of John Leasure."

Mr. Woolverton, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 21st inst. a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill, No. 438, entitled "An act to vest in Nancy Dunn the right of this commonwealth to the real and personal estate of Charles Dougherty, of Warren county."

Which bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

The bill No. 197, entitled "An act to endow the house of refuge, and for other purposes therein mentioned," was read the third time.

And on the question,
Shall the same pass?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Farrell and Mr. W. Forster, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Ellis	Mr. R. Miller
Barber	Fackenthall	Patterson
Beatty	W. B. Foster	Pearson
G. Bell	Good	Pennypacker
Bertolet	Haines	Petrikin
Binder	Harrison	Rahn
Bonner	Hergesheimer	Ramsey
Bonsall	Irwin	Scudder
Boyd	Knight	F. Smith
Burden	Krepps	J. R. C. Smith
Cummin	Lehman	Snyder
Cunningham	M'Creery	Thomas
Denny	M'Ewen	Tutwiler
Dillinger	M'Sherry	Woolverton
Dorrance	Matheys, Mont.	Ritner, Sp'r.
Duncan	Meredith	

MAY.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. Hetrick	Mr. J. Miller
Alter	Hottenstein	Nicholson
Aughinbaugh	Ilrie	Overholzer
Bell, West.	James	Rankin
Brown, Allegh.	Kennedy	Ringland
Buyers	Kerr	P. Stephens
Cope	Lauman	Walker
Dunlap	M'Bride	Whitlatch
Eldred	M'Reynolds	Wilson
Evans	Madden	Wise
Farrell	Mathews, Cam.	Woltersberger
W. Forster	Mathewson	Wolford
Gebhart	H. Miller	38

So the question was determined in the affirmative. And

Ordered, That the Clerk present the said bill to the Senate for concurrence.

The bill No. 282, entitled "A supplement to an act, entitled An act for the sale of vacant lands within this commonwealth," was read the second time.

When

A motion was made by Mr. M'Creery, to amend the section, by inserting after "improved," in the 6th line, "or applied for."

Which was agreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Atkinson, further to amend the section by striking therefrom these words, "lying east of the Ohio and Allegheny rivers, and Conewango creek."

Which was disagreed to.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the section?

It was determined in the negative.

The bill from the Senate No. 109, entitled "An act establishing the rates of ferriage at Greensburg, Greene county,"

Was read the second time,

And the 1st and 2d sections were considered and agreed to.

The 3d section being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Irwin, to amend the same by inserting after "cents," in the 10th line, "for each four wheeled carriage and one horse, eighteen and three fourth cents."

Which was agreed to.

And the section as amended was agreed to.

The 4th section was considered and agreed to.

The 5th section being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Wise to amend the same by inserting after "authorised," in the 5th line, "and required annually."

Which was agreed to.

And the section as amended was agreed to.

The title was considered and agreed to, being amended by adding thereto these words, "and to regulate the ferries in Washington, Westmoreland and Fayette counties."

And on the question,

Shall the bill be prepared for the third reading?

A motion was made by Mr. Irwin, to postpone the question, and that the bill be recommitted to the committee which reported the bill relative to the ferry at Brownsville.

Which was disagreed to.

And the question recurring,

Shall the bill be prepared for the third reading?

A motion was made by Mr. Irwin, to postpone the question for the present.

Which was agreed to.

Agreeably to leave given, the House again resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Cummin in the chair, on the bill No. 24, entitled "An act supplementary to an act, entitled An act for regulating and maintaining fences."

And after some time, the Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Leave was granted, And

Ordered, That the committee of the whole sit again on Saturday next.

Agreeably to the order of the day the House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Atkinson in the chair, on the bill No. 371, entitled "An act further to continue An act to incorporate the subscribers to the bank of Pennsylvania, and for other purposes.

And after some time, the Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

Leave was granted. And

Ordered, That the committee of the whole sit again on Wednesday, the 7th March next.

Agreeably to the order of the day, the House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. P. Stephens in the chair, on the bill No. 378, entitled "An act supplementary to an act passed the 28th day of March, 1814, entitled An act making provision for the travelling expenses of the presidents and associate judges of the courts of common pleas."

And after some time, the Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Leave was granted. and

Ordered, That the committee of the whole sit again on Monday next.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, gave information that the Senate have adopted the report of the committee of conference, appointed to confer on the subject of the amendments by the House of Representatives, non-concurred in by the Senate and insisted on by the House of Representatives, to the resolution from the Senate No. 317, entitled "A resolution for the further distribution of the pamphlet laws of this Commonwealth."

And gave further information,

That the Senate have non-concurred in the amendments by the House of Representatives, to the bill from the Senate No. 115,

entitled "An act authorising the sale and conveyance of the right of the heirs of George Taylor, to a tract of land in Washington county."

And have concurred in the amendments by the House of Representatives to the amendments of the Senate, to the bill from the House of Representatives No. 9, entitled "An act for the preservation of the records in the office of the deputy surveyor, in the county of Washington, and for other purposes."

Adjourned until half past 9 o'clock on Monday morning next.



MONDAY, February 26, 1827.

Mr. Meredith presented a petition from the president and directors of the Pennsylvania academy of the fine arts, praying that the property of the said academy may be exempted from taxation.

Which was referred to the members from the city and county of Philadelphia.

Mr. Madden presented the proceedings of a public meeting of citizens of Union county, praying for the appointment of engineers to view the west side of the West Branch of the river Susquehanna, and the summit line between the head waters of Sinnemahoning and Toby's creek, and make report to the next legislature.

Mr. Lawson presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Jefferson county, praying for an appropriation in aid of the improvement of the navigation of Clarion river.

And the said petitions were referred to the committee on inland navigation and internal improvement.

Mr. Burden presented a petition from sundry inhabitants, of the city of Philadelphia, praying for certain alterations in the militia law, so far as relatives to the 1st brigade, 1st division, Pennsylvania militia.

Mr. Bonsall presented two petitions from sundry members of fire companies and others, inhabitants of the city and county of Philadelphia, praying that members of fire companies may be exempted from the performance of militia duty on the ordinary days of training.

And the said petitions were referred to the committee on the militia system.

Mr. Rahn presented two petitions from sundry inhabitants of Schuylkill, Columbia and Luzerne counties, praying that a state road may be laid out from Caspar Rhoads', in Columbia county, to the Berwick turnpike, near Drumheller's tavern, in Luzerne county.

Which were referred to Messrs. Rahn, Thomas and Mathewson.

Mr. Denny presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of the city of Pittsburg, praying that provision may be made by law for the more effectual collection and payment of small debts in the said city.

Which was referred to Messrs. Denny, Duncan and Beatty.

Mr. Beatty presented the petition of William Elliott, of Butler county, accompanied with documents, stating his services in the revolutionary war, and praying for relief.

Mr. Barber presented the petition of Jane Tate, widow of Adam Tate, a soldier of the revolutionary war, accompanied with documents, stating the services of her late husband, and praying relief.

And the said petitions and documents were referred to the committee on claims.

Mr. Knight presented two remonstrances from sundry inhabitants of the county of Philadelphia, against the passage of a law to prevent cattle from running at large.

Which were referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

Mr. Wilson presented two petitions from sundry inhabitants of Huntingdon and Franklin counties, praying for an appropriation in aid of making the road from Concord to Drake's ferry.

Which were referred to Messrs. Wilson, James and Whitlatch.

Mr. Farrell presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Westmoreland county, praying that lotteries may be authorised to raise money for the purpose of paying the debts of turnpike companies.

Mr. Ramsey presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Bucks county, praying that the act of the 2d April, 1821, relative to the treasurer of the said county, may be repealed.

Mr. Farrell presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Westmoreland county, against increasing the public debt for the purpose of making the Pennsylvania canal.

Mr. Harrison presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Bucks county, praying for the passage of a law laying a tax on dogs in the said county.

Mr. Harrison presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Bucks county, praying for a division of the said county.

Mr. Rahn presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Schuylkill county, against the incorporation of coal companies.

And the said petitions and remonstrances were

Laid on the table.

Mr. Bonsall presented a remonstrance from sundry flour factors and citizens residing in the city and county of Philadelphia, against alterations in the law relative to the inspection of flour.

Which was referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

Mr. Cope presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Berks and Montgomery counties, against laying out a state road from Pottstown to Trexler's store.

Which was

Laid on the table.

Mr. Lawson presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Ridgeway township, in Jefferson county, praying that the said township may be erected into a separate election district, and the elections thereof held at the house of James Gallaher.

Mr. Cooper presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Lower Chanceford township, York county, against changing the place of holding the general elections in the said township.

Mr. Ihrle presented two petitions from sundry inhabitants of Lower Nazareth township, Northampton county, praying that the place of holding their general elections may be changed to the court house in the borough of Easton.

Mr. Martin presented three remonstrances from sundry inhabitants of Aston, Bethel and Upper Chichester townships, in Delaware county, against erecting the said townships into a separate election district.

And the said petitions and remonstrances were referred to the committee on election districts.

Mr. Barber presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Lancaster county, praying that the interests of the city and county may be separated for certain purposes.

Which was referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

Mr. Blair presented two petitions from sundry inhabitants of Huntingdon county, praying for an appropriation in aid of making that part of the road from the Harrisburg bridge to Ashman's, which crosses the Shade mountain.

Which were referred to Messrs. Blair, Atkinson and Krepps.

Mr. Dorrance presented a petition from Benjamin Kugler and others, praying that the Dauphin and Susquehanna coal company may be authorised to use their coal for smelting and manufacturing ore.

Which was referred to Messrs. Dorrance, Agnew and Burden.

A motion was made by Mr. J. R. C. Smith, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That the presidents and cashiers of the bank of Pennsylvania and of the Philadelphia Bank, respectively, be requested to communicate to this House, the amount of overdrafts and of promissory notes (if any) of the directors of those banks, appointed on the part of the state, which have been protested for non-

payment since the first of January, 1820, and also the amount which has since been received on those accounts.

Laid on the table.

A motion was made by Mr. Ellis, and read as follows, viz :

Resolved, That the committee on the judiciary system be instructed to inquire into the expediency of revising the laws of this commonwealth, for the punishment of the crime of arson ; and that they also have authority to inquire into the expediency of directing by law, that under any indictment for arson, the jury trying the same may find the defendant guilty of arson, in the first, second or other degree of malignity.

And on motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

A motion was made by Mr. M'Bride, and read as follows, viz :

Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in general assembly met, That the Secretary of the Commonwealth be, and he is hereby required to purchase as many copies of the last edition of Purdon's Digest, as will enable him to comply with a resolution passed on the eighteenth of January, one thousand eight hundred and twenty.

Laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Hergesheimer,

Ordered, That an item of unfinished business, relative to the erection of a new county out of part of Philadelphia county, be referred to Messrs. Hergesheimer, Kerr, Cummin, Farrell and Hottenstein.

Mr. J Stevens obtained leave of absence for a few days.

Mr. Lauman obtained leave to withdraw the petition and documents of Frederick Keefer.

Mr. Ihrie, from the committee to whom were referred the depositions, interrogatories and cross-examinations, taken on a complaint against Joseph Lester, a justice of the peace of Northampton county, made a report, (No. 235) accompanied with the following resolution, viz :

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to draft an address to the Governor, requesting him to remove the said Joseph Lester from the office of a justice of the peace.

Laid on the table.

Mr. Eldred, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 14th inst. a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill, No. 439, entitled "an act to annul the marriage of Jabez Sherwood and Elizabeth Sherwood, (late Herton,) and confirming the marriage of Elijah Peck, and the said Elizabeth, and for other purposes."

Which bill was read, and

Laid on the table.

Mr. Ellis, from the committee to whom were referred, on the 19th inst. the message from the Governor, and accompanying documents, on leave given, reported a bill, No. 440, entitled "an

act to cede the jurisdiction of the territory occupied for a navy yard near the city of Philadelphia, to the government of the United States."

Which bill was read, and made the order of the day for Monday the 5th March next.

Mr. Shannon, from the committee appointed on the 29th January, on leave given, reported a bill, No. 441, entitled "A supplement to an act, entitled An act for laying out, making and keeping in repair, the public roads and highways within this commonwealth, and for laying out private roads."

Which bill was read, and made the order of the day for Tuesday the 6th March next.

Mr. Ellis, from the committee appointed to inquire into the expediency of providing, by law, for the establishment of circuits for the several districts of the courts of common pleas in this commonwealth, so that the president judges of the courts of common pleas within the limits of such circuits, may interchange with each other, made a report, (No. 236.)

Which was read, and

Laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Shannon,

Ordered, That the usual number of copies of the said report be printed for the use of the members.

Mr. Ellis, from the same committee, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 442, entitled "An act to alter the terms of holding the courts of common pleas and county courts, and to establish courts of general common pleas."

Which bill was read, and made the order of the day for Wednesday the 7th of March next.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, presented for concurrence the bills entitled as follow, viz :

No. 443, "An act relative to the Eastern and Western Penitentiaries."

Which bill was read, and made the order of the day for Monday, 5th March next.

No. 444, "An act for the relief of Elizabeth Bison, widow of Charles Bison, a soldier of the revolution."

No. 445, "An act to incorporate the town of Mifflinburg, in Union county."

Which bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

He returned the bill No. 63, entitled, "An act to establish an academy in the town of Milford, in the county of Pike."

And gave information, that the Senate have passed said bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Kerr,

The House proceeded to the consideration of the amendments non-concurred in by the Senate, to the bill from the Senate, No. 115, entitled "An act authorising the sale and conveyance" of

the right of the heirs of George Taylor, to a tract of land in Washington county."

When a motion was made by Mr. Kerr,

That the House recede from the said amendments.

Which was agreed to, and

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate of the same.

On motion of Mr. Irwin,

The House resumed the consideration of the bill from the Senate, No. 109, entitled "An act establishing the rates of ferriage at Greensburg, Greene county."

And the question recurring,

Shall the bill be prepared for the third reading?

A motion was made by Mr. Irwin, that the bill be re-committed to a committee of the whole House, for the purpose of amendment

Which was agreed to.

Whereupon,

The House again resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Petrikin in the chair, on the said bill.

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with amendments.

And the question recurring,

Shall the bill be prepared for the third reading?

It was determined in the affirmative.

Agreeably to leave given,

The House again resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Shannon in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 318, entitled "A further supplement to the act, entitled 'An act to establish a board of wardens for the port of Philadelphia, and for the regulation of pilots and pilotages, and for other purposes therein intensioned.'"

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with one amendment.

The Speaker laid before the House a letter (No. 237) from the president of the Lehigh coal and navigation company, accompanied with a report, (No. 238,) made in pursuance of the resolution of the 8th inst.

Which were read, and

On motion,

Referred to Messrs. Petrikin, Rahn, Scudder, Meredith and Good.

The Speaker laid before the House a letter, (No. 239) and report from the cashier of the Easton bank, made in pursuance of the resolution of the 8th inst.

Which were read, and referred to the foregoing committee.

On motion of Mr. Brown of Allegheny,

Ordered, That when this House adjourns, it will adjourn to meet at half past three o'clock this afternoon.

Adjourned until that hour.

SAME DAY.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Aughinbaugh in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 239, entitled "An act to enable the Governor of this commonwealth to incorporate a company for opening a canal and lock navigation between the rivers Delaware and Schuylkill, through the southern section of Philadelphia county."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with amendments.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Bell of Westmoreland in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 240, entitled "An act to make valid a certain deed from the administrator of Henry Snyder, deceased, to Michael Simon."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill without amendment.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Rahn in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 241, entitled "A supplement to the act, entitled An act to erect the town of Chester and its vicinity, in the county of Delaware, into a borough, and for other purposes therein mentioned."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with amendments.

The Speaker laid before the House a letter from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, accompanied with sundry depositions, interrogatories and cross-examinations, taken on a complaint against John Gray, a justice of the peace of Cumberland county, before John Read, Esq. president judge of the 9th judicial district.

Which were read, and

Laid on the table.

Adjourned until half past 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

TUESDAY, February 27, 1827.

On motion of Mr. Alter,

Ordered, That the depositions, interrogatories and cross-examinations, taken on a complaint against John Gray, a justice of the peace of Cumberland county, presented on yesterday, be referred to Messrs. Alter, M'Sherry, Eldred, Bertolet and Cooper.

Mr. Woolverton presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Erie county, accompanied with a document, praying for certain alterations in the poor laws.

Which were referred to Messrs. Woolverton, Cunningham and Ihrie.

Mr. Rahn presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Schuylkill county, against the incorporation of coal companies.

Mr. Bell of Westmoreland presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Westmoreland county, praying that the turnpike roads may be converted into free roads.

Mr. Matheys of Montgomery, presented two petitions from sundry inhabitants of Montgomery county, praying for aid to the erection of a bridge over the river Schuylkill, at Norristown, in the said county.

And the said petitions were

Laid on the table.

Mr. Fackenthall presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Bucks county, praying for the passage of a law more effectually providing for the paying over of costs by the prothonotaries and clerks of courts.

Which was referred to the committee on the judiciary system.

Mr. Dillinger presented two petitions from sundry inhabitants of Macungie township, in Lehigh county, praying that the place of holding their general elections may be changed to the house of David Shall, in Trexlerstown.

Mr. G. Miller presented two petitions of like import with the foregoing.

And the said petitions were referred to the committee on election districts.

Mr. Matheys of Montgomery presented a petition from St. Peter's church, at Barren hill, in the said county, praying for the appointment of commissioners to carry into effect the act of the 13th April, 1807, for raising a sum of money, by way of lottery, in aid of finishing the said church.

Which was referred to Messrs. Matheys of Montgomery, P. Stephens and J. Miller.

Mr. Barber presented a document relative to the claim of Jane Tate, the widow of a revolutionary soldier.

Mr. W. B. Foster presented the petition and documents of Ann M'Cully of Allegheny county, the widow of an officer in the revolutionary army, praying for relief.

And the said petition and documents were referred to the the committee on claims.

Mr. Beatty presented a petition from the German Evangelical congregation in Zelionople and Harmony, in Butler county, praying for certain alterations in their charter.

Which was referred to Messrs. Beatty, Fackenthall and Dorrance.

On motion of Mr. P. Stephens,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Knight in the chair, on the bill No. 226, entitled "An act to authorise the officers of the Land Office to issue warrants and patents for certain lands in Susquehanna county, late the estate of Andrew Allen."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

Leave was granted, and

Ordered, That the committee of the whole sit again on Friday the 2d of March next.

A motion was made by Mr. Blair, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That the committee on the judiciary system be directed to consider and report on the propriety of enabling the inhabitants of the different townships of this commonwealth, (otherwise competent) to give testimony in all cases where the overseers of the poor are parties, notwithstanding any interest the said inhabitants may be supposed to have on account of being subject to the payment of poor rates within the respective townships.

And, on motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

A motion was made by Mr. Irwin, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Commonwealth be requested to communicate to this House a summary of the proceedings, if any have been had, under the 8th section of the act of the 25th of February, 1826, entitled "An act to provide for the commencement of a canal, to be constructed at the expense of the state, and to be styled the Pennsylvania canal," embracing the claims made for damages, the quantity of land supposed to be injured, the valuation made by inquests, and the land purchased for the use of said canal, with the price paid, or stipulated to be paid, for the same.

Laid on the table.

A motion was made by Mr. Bonsall, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to inquire into the expediency of so amending the act, entitled "An act to provide for the education of children, at the public expense, within the city and county of Philadelphia, passed the third day of March, 1818," as to extend the advantages of education to children under six years of age.

And, on motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted. And

Ordered, That the members from the city and county of Philadelphia be the committee.

A motion was made by Mr. Bertolet, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That the printing of private bills be dispensed with from and after Monday next, for the remainder of the session, unless otherwise ordered by the House.

And, on motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

A motion was made by Mr. Irwin, that when the House adjourns it will adjourn to meet at 3 o'clock this afternoon, for the consideration of Senate bills.

Which was disagreed to.

A motion was made by Mr. Kerr, that the House meet on the afternoon of Thursday, the 8th of March next, for the purpose of considering the bill No. 77, entitled "An act erecting parts of the counties of Washington, Fayette, Westmoreland and Allegheny, into a separate county, to be called St. Clair county."

The motion being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Barber, to amend the same by adding thereto these words, "And the bill No. 75, entitled "An act incorporating the Lancaster county academy."

Which was agreed to.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the motion as amended?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Irwin and Mr. Kerr, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Agnew
Aughinbaugh
Barber
Becker
G. Bell
Bell Leb.
Bell, West.
Bonsall
Brown, Lan.
Burden
Buyers
Cooper
Cummin
Dortance

Mr. Duncan
Farrell
Gebhart
Hetrick
Hottenstein
Ihrie
Kerr
Lawson
M'Bride
M'Reynolds
Madden
Mathews, Cam.
Mathewson
H. Miller

Mr. J. Miller
Overholzer
Patterson
Rankin
F. Smith
Thomas
Tutwiler
Whitlatch
Wilson
Wise
Wolfersberger
Wolford
Woolverton

NAYS.

Mr. Alter	Mr. W. B. Foster	Mr. Matheys, Mont.
Atkinson	Good	Meredith
Beatty	Haines	R. Miller
Bertolet	Harrison	Nicholson
Binder	Hergesheimer	Pennypacker
Bonner	Irwin	Petrikín
Boyd	James	Rahn
Brown, Allegh.	Kennedy	Ramsey
Cope	Knight	Ringland
Cunningham	Krepps	Scudder
Denny	Lauman	Shannon
Dillinger	M'Clure	J. R. C. Smith
Dunlap	M'Creery	Thompson
Evans	M'Ewen	Walker
Fackenthall	M'Sherry	Ritner, Sp'r.
W. Forster	Martin	

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So the question was determined in the negative.

Mr. Overholzer obtained leave of absence for a few days from to-morrow.

Mr. Dillinger, from the committee appointed to compare bills and present them to the Governor for his approbation, made report, which was read as follows, viz.

That in conjunction with a similar committee from the Senate, they have compared and on yesterday presented to the Governor for his approbation, the bills entitled as follow, to wit:

An act to repeal, in part, an act, entitled An act to improve the leading roads in M'Kean and Jefferson counties.

An act for the preservation of the records in the office of deputy surveyor in the county of Washington, and for other purposes.

An act for the appointment of an inspector of pot and pearl ashes, for the port of Philadelphia, and for regulating the inspection of the same.

A further supplement to the act, entitled An act to raise and collect county rates and levies.

An act authorising Jacob Zook, trustee of the Great Valley Ominist society, in Chester county, to sell and convey a certain real estate therein mentioned.

An act to empower John Miles and Joseph Miles, surviving executors of Samuel Miles, late of Montgomery county, deceased, to sell and convey certain real estate therein mentioned; and also to authorise John Fritz, guardian of Samuel, James and William Sands, minors under the age of fourteen years, to execute and deliver a deed for a house and lot of land in Pottstown.

An act to make valid certain acts of Charles Deshler and James Keenan, justices of the peace, and Charles Chandler, a constable.

Laid on the table.

Mr. M'Creery, from the committee on claims, reported a bill, No. 447, entitled "An act for the relief of William Wilson and James Burke, revolutionary soldiers."

Mr. Rahn, from the committee to whom were referred sundry petitions on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 448, entitled, "An act appropriating a sum of money for the purpose of opening and improving a state road leading from Orwigsburg, in Schuylkill county, to the falls of Nescopeck, in Luzerne county."

Mr. Cooper, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 15th inst. a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 449, entitled "An act supplementary to an act authorising the executors of James Anderson, deceased, to sell certain real estate of the testator, passed 11th April, 1825."

And the said bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

The bill from the Senate No. 109, entitled "An act establishing the rate of ferriage at Greensburg, Greene county," was read the third time and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate and request their concurrence in the amendments thereto by this House.

On motion of Mr. J. R. C. Smith, the resolution read on yesterday relative to the bank of Pennsylvania and Philadelphia bank, was read the second time.

And being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Boyd, to amend the same by inserting after "state," these words, "and also of those elected by the stockholders."

Which was agreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Farrell, to postpone the further consideration of the resolution for the present.

Which was agreed to.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, presented for concurrence the bill No. 450, entitled "A supplement to the act, entitled An act authorising an academy in the borough of Northampton, in Lehigh county, and granting a sum of money thereto."

Which bill was read, and

Laid on the table.

And returned the bill No. 152, entitled "A supplement to an act, entitled An act to incorporate the district of Spring Garden."

And gave information,

That the Senate have passed said bill without amendment.

The bill from the Senate, No. 318, entitled "A further supplement to the act, entitled An act to establish a board of wardens for the port of Philadelphia, and for the regulation of pilots and pilotages, and for other purposes therein mentioned," was read the second time.

And the first section was considered and agreed to.

The second section being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Meredith, to amend the same by striking therefrom the following proviso, viz. *Provided*, That such deduction shall not, in any case, be made where it shall be satisfactorily proven to the board of wardens, that there were a sufficient number of pilot boats cruising outside the line, so as aforesaid drawn.

And on the question,

Will the House agree so to amend?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Meredith and Mr. Boyd, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Alter	Mr. Ellis	Mr. Meredith
Aughinbaugh	W. B. Foster	R. Miller
Bell, West.	Good	Patterson
Bertolet	Haines	Pennypacker
Bonsall	Harrison	Ramsey
Boyd	Kennedy	J. R. C. Smith
Brown, Lan.	Lehman	Thompson
Cunningham	M'Clure	Woolverton
Denny	M'Sherry	Ritner, <i>Sp'r.</i>
Duncan	Martin	

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NAYS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. W. Forster	Mr. Matheys, Mont.
Atkinson	Gebhart	H. Miller
Barber	Hergesheimer	J. Miller
Beatty	Hetrick	Nicholson
Becker	Hottenstein	Petrikina
G. Bell	Ihrle	Rahn
Bell, Leb.	James	Rankin
Binder	Kerr	Ringland
Bonner	Knight	F. Smith
Brown, Allegh.	Krepps	P. Stephens
Burden	Lauman	Thomas
Buyers	Lawson	Tutwiler
Cooper	M'Bride	Walker
Cummin	M'Creery	Whitlatch
Dorrance	M'Ewen	Wilson
Dunlap	M'Reynolds	Wise
Evans	Madden	Wolfsberger
Fackenthall	Mathews, Cam.	Wolford
Farrell		

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So the question was determined in the negative.

And the second section was agreed to.

The third section being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Lehman,

To amend the same, by striking from the 10th line, "mayor or any alderman in the city of Philadelphia, or any justice of the

peace," and inserting in lieu thereof, "court of common pleas," and by striking from the 12th line "thirty second," and inserting in lieu thereof, "fourth."

And on the question,
Will the House agree so to amend?

It was determined in the negative.

The fourth and fifth sections were severally considered and agreed to.

The sixth section was considered.

And on the question,
Will the House agree to the same?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Meredith and Mr. Thompson, and are as follow, viz :

YEAS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. Gebhart	Mr. H. Miller
Atkinson	Hergesheimer	Nicholson
Beatty	Hetrick	Patterson
Becker	Hottenstein	Petrikini
G Bell	Ihrie	Rahn
Bell, Leb.	James	Rankin
Binder	Kerr	Ringland
Bonner	Knight	F. Smith
Brown, Allegh.	Krepps	P. Stephens
Brown, Lan.	Lauman	Tutwiler
Burden	Lawson	Walker
Buyers	M'Bride	Whitlatch
Cooper	M'Ewen	Wilson
Cummin	M'Reynolds	Wise
Dorrance	Mathews, Cam.	Wolfsberger
Fackenthall	Mathewson	Wolford
Farrell		

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NAYS.

Mr. Alter	Mr. Ellis	Mr. Martin
Aughinbaugh	Evans	Matheys, Mont.
Barber	W. Forster	Meredith
Bell, West.	W. B. Foster	J. Miller
Bertolet	Good	R. Miller
Bonsall	Haines	Pennypacker
Boyd	Harrison	Ramsey
Cope	Kennedy	J. R. C. Smith
Cunningham	Lehman	Thomas
Denny	M'Clure	Thompson
Dillinger	M'Creery	Woolverton
Duncan	M'Sherry	Ritner, Sp'r.
Dunlap	Madden	

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So the question was determined in the affirmative.

The title was considered and agreed to.

And on the question,

Shall the bill be prepared for the third reading?

A motion was made by Mr. J. R. C. Smith, to postpone the question, together with the bill, indefinitely.

When,

On motion,

The House adjourned until half past 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.



WEDNESDAY, February 28, 1827.

The Secretary of the Commonwealth being introduced, presented a message from the Governor which was read as follows, viz.

To the Senate and House of Representatives of the commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

GENTLEMEN,

I have this day approved and signed the following acts of the General Assembly, and directed the Secretary of the Commonwealth to return them to the Houses, in which they originated, viz.

An act for the appointment of an inspector of pot and pearl ashes for the port of Philadelphia, and for regulating the inspection of the same.

An act to empower John Miles and Joseph Miles, surviving executors of Samuel Miles, late of Montgomery county, dec'd. to sell and convey certain real estate therein mentioned, and also to authorise John Fritz, guardian of Samuel, James and William Sands, minors under the age of fourteen years, to execute and deliver a deed for a house and lot of land in Pottstown.

An act to make valid certain acts of Charles Deshler and James Keenan, justices of the peace, and Charles Chandler, a constable.

An act for the preservation of the records in the office of the deputy surveyor in the county of Washington, and for other purposes.

An act to repeal in part an act, entitled An act to improve the leading roads in M'Kean and Jefferson counties.

An act authorising Jacob Zook, trustee of the Great Valley Ominist society in Chester county, to sell and convey a certain real estate therein mentioned.

A further supplement to the act, entitled An act to raise and collect county rates and levies.

J. ANDW. SHULZE.

Harrisburg, February 27, 1827.

Laid on the table.

The Speaker laid before the House the proceedings of a meeting of the citizens of Centre county, held in the borough of Belletonte, approving of the second report of the canal commissioners.

Mr. Atkinson presented two petitions from sundry inhabitants of Venango county, praying for the erection of a new county out of parts of Armstrong and Venango counties.

Mr. Rahn presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Schuylkill county, against the incorporation of coal companies.

Mr. Thompson presented two petitions from sundry inhabitants of Chester county, praying for the incorporation of the Oxford rail road company.

Mr. Thomas presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Luzerne, Northampton and Lehigh counties, praying for the incorporation of a company for the purpose of making a turnpike road from Wilkesbarre to Mauch Chunk.

Mr. Cope presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Montgomery county, praying for aid to the erection of a bridge over the river Schuylkill, at Norristown.

And the said proceedings, remonstrance and petitions were

Laid on the table.

Mr. Alter presented a petition from sundry members of the bar of the county of Cumberland, and of the county of Perry, praying for the repeal of the act of the last session of the legislature, reviving the circuit court system, so far as respects the 9th judicial district.

Which was referred to the members from Cumberland, Perry and Adams counties.

Mr. Cooper presented two remonstrances from sundry inhabitants of Lower Chanceford township, York county, against changing the place of holding their general elections.

Mr. R. Miller presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Coventry township, Chester county, praying that the place of holding their general elections may be changed to the Buck tavern.

Mr. Cunningham presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Shenango township, Mercer county, praying that the place of holding their general elections may be changed to the house of Moses Cannon.

And the said remonstrances and petitions were referred to the committee on election districts.

Mr. Martin presented two petitions from sundry inhabitants of Delaware county, praying for the repeal of the act relative to collateral inheritances.

Which were referred to the committee of ways and means.

Mr. Wise presented the petition of Rebecca Howell, of Westmoreland county, praying that the pension which was granted to her late husband, William Howell, for his revolutionary services, may be continued to her.

Which was referred to the committee on claims.

Mr. Agnew presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Lancaster county, praying that the interests of the city and county of Lancaster may be separated in relation to certain expenditures.

Mr. Brown of Lancaster presented a petition of like import with the foregoing.

And the said petitions were referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

Mr. Brown of Lancaster presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Lancaster county, praying for the passage of a law laying a tax on dogs in the said county.

Which was

Laid on the table.

Mr. Dorrance presented a memorial from the president and managers of the Harrisburg canal, fire insurance and water company, praying that the act of the 5th April, 1826, to try the validity of the charter of the said company may be repealed.

Which was referred to the committee to whom was referred, on the 9th December last, an item of the Governor's message, relative to the said canal.

A motion was made by Mr. Ellis, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That the committee on the judiciary system be instructed to inquire into the expediency of providing, by law, for the entering of satisfaction upon recognizances given by persons who have taken lands, which have been divided and appraised upon partitions between tenants in common, joint tenants or co-partners, or when partition and appraisement have been made of the real estate of deceased persons, under the intestate laws of this commonwealth. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

Mr. M'Creery, from the committee on claims, made a report, (No. 240,) relative to the claim of Michael Walleiser, a revolutionary soldier, accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That the committee be discharged from any further consideration of the subject. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

Mr. Lehman, from the committee on inland navigation and internal improvement, made a report, (No. 241,) relative to the extension of the Pennsylvania canal, accompanied with a bill, No. 451, entitled "An act to provide for the further extension of the Pennsylvania canal."

A motion was made by Mr. Brown of Allegheny, that one thousand copies of the said report and bill, be printed for the use of the members.

The motion being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Bonner, to amend the same by striking therefrom "one thousand copies," and inserting in lieu thereof, "fifteen hundred copies in the English language, and five hundred copies in the German language," and by adding to the motion these words, "and that the clerk be directed to employ a printer in Harrisburg to print the German copies."

And on the question,

Will the House agree so to amend?

It was determined in the affirmative.

And the motion as amended was agreed to.

A motion was made by Mr. Irwin, that the bill for the further extension of the Pennsylvania canal, be made the order of the day for Monday the 19th March next.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Bonner and Mr. Fackenthall, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. Cope	Mr. M'Sherry
Aughinbaugh	Dillinger	Matheys, Mont.
Barber	Dunlap	H. Miller
Becker	Evans	Nicholson
Bell, Leb.	Hetrick	Rahn
Bell, West.	Hottenstein	F. Smith
Bonner	Irwin	Tutwiler
Brown, Lan.	James	Walker
Buyers	Krepps	Wolfersberger
Cooper	Lauman	Wolford 30

NAYS.

Mr. Alter	Mr. Ellis	Mr. M'Bride
Atkinson	Fackenthall	M'Clure
Beatty	Farrell	M'Creery
G. Bell	W. Forster	M'Ewen
Bertolet	W. B. Foster	M'Reynolds
Binder	Gebhart	Madden
Blair	Good	Mallery
Bonsall	Haines	Martin
Boyd	Harrison	Mathews, Cam.
Brown, Allegh.	Hergesheimer	Mathewson
Burden	Ihrle	Meredith
Cummin	Kennedy	J. Miller
Cunningham	Kerr	R. Miller
Denny	Knight	Patterson
Dorrance	Lawson	Pennypacker
Duncan	Lehman	Ramsey

NEWS.

Mr. Rankin	Mr. Snyder	Mr. Wilson
Ringland	P. Stephens	Wise
Scudder	Thomas	Woolverton
Shannon	Thompson	Ritner, Sp'r.
J. R. C. Smith	Whitlatch	62

So the question was determined in the negative.

A motion was then made by Mr. Farrell, that the said bill be made the order of the day for Monday the 12th March next.

Which was disagreed to. And

Ordered, That the said bill be the first order of the day for Wednesday the 7th March next.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, presented for concurrence the bill No. 452, entitled "An act to authorise the Governor to incorporate the Shippensville and Foxburg turnpike road company."

Which bill was read, and

Laid on the table.

He returned the bills entitled as follow, viz.

No. 197, "An act to endow the house of refuge, and for other purposes therein mentioned."

No. 26, "An act declaring certain creeks within this commonwealth public highways."

And gave information,

That the Senate have passed said bills, the first without and the latter with amendments, in which the concurrence of the House of Representatives is requested.

The amendments by the Senate to the said bill were read, considered and concurred in. And

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate of the same.

Mr. Rahn, from the committee to whom was referred on the 26th inst. a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 453, entitled "An act authorising the laying out of a state road to commence at the house of Caspar Rhoads, in Columbia county, to the Berwick turnpike, at or near Drumheller's tavern, in Luzerne county."

Mr. Beatty, from the committee to whom was, on yesterday, referred a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 454, entitled "An act to change the style and title of the charter of the German congregation of Zeligople and Harmony, in Butler county."

Mr. Wolford, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 24th instant, a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 455, entitled, "An act to enable Benjamin Musser and Christian Musser, administrators of Doct. John Musser, deceased, to convey certain real estate."

Mr. M'Clure, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 19th instant, a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 456, entitled "An act appropriating certain road taxes on unseated lands, to the improvement of the post road from Charles Clendenin's, in Lycoming county, to the state line, in a direction to Newtown, in the state of New York.

Mr. Dorrance, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 26th inst. a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 457, entitled "An act supplementary to An act to incorporate the Dauphin and Susquehanna coal company, passed 5th April, 1826."

Mr. Denny, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 26th instant, a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 458, entitled "An act to provide a more effectual mode for the collection of small debts in the city of Pittsburg."

And the said bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

Mr. Denny gave notice that he would, on to-morrow, ask leave to bring in a bill, entitled "A supplement to an act to regulate arbitrations and proceedings in courts of justice."

On motion of Mr. Irwin,

The resolution read on yesterday, requesting the Secretary of the Commonwealth to furnish certain information relative to damages on the Pennsylvania canal, was read the second time.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the same?

It was determined in the negative.

A motion was made by Mr. Rahn and Mr. Farrell, they being in the majority, to re-consider the vote given this morning, on the motion to print two thousand copies of the report and bill relative to the extension of the Pennsylvania canal.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to re-consider the said vote?

It was determined in the negative.

The House resumed the consideration of the bill from the Senate, No. 318, entitled "A further supplement to the act, entitled An act to establish a board of wardens for the port of Philadelphia, and for the regulation of pilots and pilotages, and for other purposes therein mentioned."

And the question recurring,

Will the House agree to postpone the question on preparing the bill for a third reading, together with the bill, indefinitely?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Boyd and Mr. Bon-sall, and read as follows, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Alter
Bell, West.
Bertolet
Bonsall
Boyd
Cunningham
Denny
Dillinger
Duncan

Mr. Dunlap
Ellis
Good
Haines
Harrison
Lehman
M'Sherry
Martin
Meredith

Mr. R. Miller
Pennypacker
Ramsey
J. R. C. Smith
Thomas
Thompson
Woolverton
Ritner, *Sp'r.*

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NAYS.

Mr. Agnew
Barber
Beatty
Becker
G. Bell
Bell Leb.
Binder
Bonner
Brown, Allegh.
Brown, Lan.
Burden
Buyers
Cooper
Cummin
Dorrance
Fackenthall
Farrell
W. Forster

Mr. Gebhart
Hergesheimer
Hetrick
Hottenstein
James
Kennedy
Kerr
Knight
Krepps
Lauman
Lawson
M'Bride
M'Ewen
M'Reynolds
Madden
Mathews, Cam.
Mathewson

Mr. H. Miller
J. Miller
Nicholson
Patterson
Rahn
Rankin
Ringland
Scudder
F. Smith
Snyder
Tutwiler
Walker
Whitlatch
Wilson
Wise
Wolfersberger
Wolford

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So the question was determined in the negative.

And the question recurring,

Shall the bill be prepared for the third reading?

It was determined in the affirmative.

The Speaker laid before the House a letter, (No. 242,) from C. J. Hutter, printer of the German journal of this House, relative to the delivery of the first report of the canal commissioners, printed in the German language.

Which was read, and

Laid on the table.

The Speaker laid before the House a letter from the president of the Northampton bank, accompanied with a report, (No. 243,) of the account of the Lehigh coal and navigation company with the said bank.

Which were read and referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

On motion of Mr. Brown of Allegheny,

Ordered, That when this House adjourns, it will adjourn to meet at half past 3 o'clock this afternoon.

Adjourned until that hour.

SAME DAY.

The bill from the Senate, No. 239, entitled "An act to enable the Governor of this commonwealth to incorporate a company for opening a canal and lock navigation between the rivers Delaware and Schuylkill, through the southern section of Philadelphia county," was read the second time.

And the first to the sixth sections, inclusive, were severally considered and agreed to.

The seventh section being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Lawson, to amend the same by striking from the 4th, 5th and 6th lines these words, "the jury who shall inquire of the damages to be sustained in manner hereinbefore directed, shall find and ascertain whether a bridge across the same be necessary, and on such finding," and by striking from the section these words, "at all and every place so ascertained by the said jury, at the cost and charges of the said company, provided the ground on both sides of said canal or navigation shall continue so long to be held by the same person or persons or their heirs and assigns respectively, and in case the owner or owners of said ground shall sell and dispose of his, her or their ground lying on one side of said canal or navigation, then and in that case the said president, managers and company shall no longer be bound to keep in repair any private bridge so built along the said canal or navigation, and the said bridge or bridges may be pulled down or otherwise removed."

And on the question,

Will the House agree so to amend?

It was determined in the negative.

And the section was agreed to.

The 8th section being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Boyd, to amend the same by striking therefrom these words, "such space of time as that the accumulated penalties shall become equal to the sums before paid for or on account," and inserting in lieu thereof these words, "eighteen months after being legally called on for such share or shares."

And on the question,

Will the House agree so to amend?

It was determined in the negative.

And the 8th section was agreed to.

The 9th section being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Rahn, to amend the same by striking from the 15th line "eight," and inserting in lieu thereof "two."

And on the question,

Will the House agree so to amend?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Rahn and Mr. Farrell, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. Evans	Mr. M'Bride
Alter	Farrell	Rahn
Becker	W. Forster	Ramsey
Bell, West.	W. B. Foster	Shannon
Buyers	Good	F. Smith
Cooper	Hetrick	Thomas
Cunningham	Hottenstein	Tutwiler
Dunlap	Krepps	Wise
Ellis	Lauman	Ritner, <i>Sp'r.</i> 27

NAYS.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Gebhart	Mr. Meredith
Barber	Haines	G. Miller
Beatty	Harrison	H. Miller
G. Bell	Hergesheimer	J. Miller
Bell, Leb.	Ihrig	R. Miller
Bertolet	James	Nicholson
Binder	Kennedy	Pennypacker
Bonner	Kerr	Petrikin
Bonsall	Knight	Rankin
Boyd	Lawson	Ringland
Brown, Allegh.	Lehman	Scudder
Brown, Lan.	M'Clure	J. R. C. Smith
Burden	M'Ewen	Snyder
Cope	M'Reynolds	P. Stephens
Cummin	M'Sherry	Thompson
Denny	Madden	Whitlatch
Dillinger	Mathews, Cam.	Wilson
Dorrance	Matheys, Mont.	Wolfsberger
Fackenthall	Mathewson	Wolford 57

So the question was determined in the negative.

A motion was then made by Mr. Rahn, to amend the section by striking from the 15th line these words, "on the whole exceed the rate of eight cents," and inserting in lieu thereof these words, "at any time exceed the tolls charged and received by the Schuyl-kill navigation company."

Which was disagreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Rahn, to postpone the further consideration of the section, together with the bill, for the present.

Which was disagreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Atkinson, to amend the section by striking from the 15th line "eight," and inserting in lieu thereof "four."

And on the question,

Will the House agree so to amend?

A motion was made by Mr. Binder, to postpone the question, together with the bill, for the present.

Which was disagreed to.

And the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

A motion was made by Mr. Ellis, to postpone the question, together with the bill, until Friday afternoon next.

Which was agreed to.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, gave information that the Senate have concurred in the amendment by the House of Representatives to the bill from the Senate, No. 109, entitled "An act establishing the rate of ferriage at Greensburg, Greene county," with an amendment, in which the concurrence of the House of Representatives is requested.

The said amendment was read, considered and concurred in. And

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate of the same.

Adjourned until half past 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.



THURSDAY, March 1, 1827.

Mr. Matheys of Montgomery presented two petitions from sundry inhabitants of the said county, praying for aid to the erection of a bridge over the river Schuylkill at Norristown.

Mr. Cope presented two remonstrances from sundry inhabitants of Montgomery county, against the passage of a law directing the commissioners of the said county to subscribe for stock in the Norristown bridge.

Mr. Agnew presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Lancaster county, against the passage of a law laying a tax on dogs in the said county.

And the said petitions and remonstrances were
Laid on the table.

Mr. Fackenthall presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Bucks county, praying for the passage of a law more effectually providing for the paying over of costs by prothonotaries and clerks of courts.

Which was referred to the committee on the judiciary system.

Mr. Harrison presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Bucks county, praying for the passage of a law laying a tax on dogs in the said county.

Which was referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

Mr. Scudder presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Northumberland county, praying for the incorporation of the Shamokin coal company.

Which was referred to Messrs. Scudder, M'Reynolds and Madden.

Mr. Lawson presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Jefferson county, praying that the north fork of Sandy-lick creek may be declared a public highway.

Which was referred to the committee on inland navigation and internal improvement.

Mr. Mathewson presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Sheshequin township, Bradford county, praying that the place of holding their general elections may be changed to the house of Timothy Hiney.

Which was referred to the committee on election districts.

Mr. Alter, from the committee to whom was, on yesterday, referred a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill, No. 459, entitled "An act to repeal the acts establishing a circuit court, so far as they relate to the ninth judicial district."

Mr. M'Clure, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 12th February, a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 460, entitled "An act supplementary to An act authorising the Governor to incorporate the Tioga navigation company, passed the 26th February, 1826."

Mr. Matheys of Montgomery, from the committee to whom was, on yesterday, referred a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 461, entitled "A supplement to an act, entitled An act to raise, by way of lottery, a sum not exceeding three thousand five hundred dollars, for finishing a church at Barren hill, in the county of Montgomery."

Mr. Bonner, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 13th ultimo, a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 462, entitled "A further supplement to an act, entitled An act to incorporate the town of Gettysburg, in the county of Adams."

And the said bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, returned the bill No. 30, entitled "An act to incorporate the Franklin library company, of Ten Mile, in the county of Washington."

And gave information,

That the Senate have passed said bill with one amendment, in which the concurrence of the House of Representatives is requested.

The amendment by the Senate to the said bill was read, considered and concurred in. And

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate of the same.

The bill from the Senate, No. 818, entitled "A further supplement to the act, entitled An act to establish a board of wardens for the port of Philadelphia, and for the regulation of pilots and pilotages, and for other purposes therein mentioned," was read the third time.

When a motion was made by Mr. Ellis, that the bill be recommended to a select committee for the purpose of amendment.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the motion ?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Boyd and Mr. Bonsall, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Aughinbaugh	Mr. Dunlap	Mr. Matheys, Mont.
Barber	Ellis	Meredith
Beatty	W. B. Foster	G. Miller
Bell, West.	Good	R. Miller
Bertolet	Haines	Pennypacker
Blair	Harrison	Petrikín
Bonsall	Irwin	Ramsey
Boyd	Lawson	J. R. C. Smith
Cunningham	Lehman	Thomas
Denny	M'Clure	Thompson
Dillinger	M'Sherry	Woolverton
Duncan	Martin	Ritner, Sp'r. 36

NAYS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. W. Forster	Mr. H. Miller
Atkinson	Gebhart	J. Miller
Becker	Hergesheimer	Nicholson
G. Bell	Hetrick	Patterson
Bell, Leb.	Hottenstein	Rahn
Binder	Ibrie	Rankin
Bonner	James	Ringland
Brown, Allegh.	Kennedy	Scudder
Brown, Lan.	Knight	F. Smith
Burden	Krepps	Snyder
Buyers	Lauman	P. Stephens
Cooper	M'Bride	Tutwiler
Cope	M'Creery	Walker
Cummin	M'Ewen	Whitlatch
Dorrance	M'Reynolds	Wilson
Evans	Madden	Wise
Fackenthall	Mathews, Cam.	Wolfersberger
Farrell	Mathewson	Wolford 54

So the question was determined in the negative.

And on the question,
Shall the bill pass?

It was determined in the affirmative. And

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate, and request their concurrence in the amendment thereto by this House.

On motion of Mr. Wise,

Ordered, That five hundred copies of the bill No. 442, entitled "An act to alter the terms of holding the courts of common pleas and county courts, and to establish courts of general common pleas, be printed for the use of the members.

Adjourned until half past 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.



FRIDAY, March 2, 1827.

The Secretary of the Commonwealth being introduced, presented a message from the Governor, which was read as follows, viz.

To the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

GENTLEMEN,

I have this day approved and signed the following acts and resolution of the General Assembly, and directed the Secretary of the Commonwealth to return them to the Houses in which they respectively originated, viz.

"An act declaring certain creeks within this commonwealth, public high-ways."

"An act to establish an academy in the town of Milford, in the county of Pike."

"A further supplement to an act, entitled An act to incorporate the district of Spring Garden."

"An act relative to certain books of record within this commonwealth."

"An act authorising the laying out a state road in Beaver and Mercer counties, and also in Beaver and Allegheny counties, and for other purposes."

"An act establishing the rates of ferriage at Greensburg, Greene county, and to regulate the ferries in Washington, Westmoreland and Fayette counties."

"An act authorising the sale and conveyance of the right of the heirs of George Taylor to a tract of land in Washington county."

An act to endow the House of Refuge, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

A resolution for the farther distribution of the pamphlet laws of this commonwealth.

J. ANDW. SHULZE.

Harrisburg, March 8, 1827.

Laid on the table.

Mr. Woolverton presented a petition from the Roman Catholic Congregation of Erie, praying the Legislature to grant them two lots of ground in the borough of Erie, for the purpose of erecting thereon a house of worship.

Which was referred to Messrs. Woolverton, Cunningham and Anghinbaugh.

Mr. Krepps presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Fayette county, praying for an appropriation in aid of making that part of the road from Waynesburg to the national road which lies in Fayette county.

Which was referred to the members from Fayette and Greene counties.

Mr. Kennedy presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Northampton county, against the division of the said county.

Mr. James presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Bedford county, praying the Legislature to adopt measures for the abolition of slavery in the United States.

Mr. Rahn presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Schuylkill county, against the incorporation of coal companies.

Mr. Mallery presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Luzerne county, against the appropriation of the tax on unseated lands in Pittston township, in aid of making the road from Wilkesbarre to Springbroke bridge.

Mr. Evans presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Montgomery county, against the passage of a law directing the commissioners of the said county to subscribe to stock in the Norristown bridge.

Mr. Matheys of Montgomery presented three petitions from sundry inhabitants of the said county, praying for aid to the erection of a bridge over the river Schuylkill at Norristown.

And the said petitions and remonstrances were

Laid on the table.

Mr. Buyers presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of the 9th election district, in Lancaster county, against changing the place of holding their general elections in the said district.

Which was referred to the committee on election districts.

Mr. Wilson presented the petition of Matthew Taylor, of Huntingdon county, praying that a sum of money overpaid by him for a certain land warrant may be refunded.

Which was referred to Messrs. Wilson, J. Miller and Madden.

Mr. Mallery presented two petitions from sundry inhabitants

of Luzerne county, praying for an appropriation in aid of making the turnpike road from Abington to the north line of the state.

Which was referred to Messrs. Mallery, Good and Evans.

Mr. Evans presented the petition of George Sheets, of Montgomery county, praying that he may be appointed trustee to receive the pension granted to his father Philip Sheets.

Mr. Atkinson presented the petition and documents of James Long, of Crawford county, stating his services in the revolutionary war, and praying relief.

Mr. Wise presented a document relative to the claim of James M'Dowell.

And the said petitions and documents were referred to the committee on claims.

Mr. Barber presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Lancaster county, praying that the interests of the city and county of Lancaster may be separated, so far as relates to certain expenditures.

Which was referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

Mr. Mallery presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Luzerne county, praying that Tunkhannock creek may be declared a public highway, up to the line of Susquehanna county.

Which was referred to Messrs. Mallery, Duncan and Woolverton.

Mr. Atkinson presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Venango and Warren counties, praying that a state road may be laid out from the mouth of Teonista creek, to the main forks of said creek.

Which was referred to Messrs. Atkinson, Lawson and J. Miller.

Mr. Atkinson presented the petition and documents of Daniel Williams, of Crawford county, praying that certain expenses incurred in contesting the election of James Burchfield, in 1814, may be paid to him out of the funds of the said county.

Which was referred to Messrs. Atkinson, Ihrie and Nicholson.

On motion of Mr. Ihrie,

Ordered, That the afternoon of Monday next be appropriated to the consideration of bills of the Senate, presented for concurrence.

Pursuant to notice, Mr. Denny asked leave to bring in a bill entitled "A supplement to an act to regulate arbitrations and proceedings in courts of justice."

Which was granted. And

Ordered, That Messrs. Denny, Knight and F. Smith, be a committee to prepare and bring in a bill accordingly.

Mr. Dillinger, from the committee appointed to compare bills and present them to the Governor for his approbation, made report, which was read as follows, viz.

That in conjunction with a similar committee from the Senate, they have compared and on yesterday presented to the Governor for his approbation, the bills entitled as follow, to wit :

An act to establish an academy in the town of Milford, in the county of Pike.

A further supplement to an act, entitled An act to incorporate the district of Spring Garden.

An act authorising the laying out a state road in Beaver and Mercer counties, and also in Beaver and Allegheny counties, and for other purposes.

An act relative to certain books of record within this commonwealth.

An act authorising the sale and conveyance of the right of the heirs of George Taylor, to a tract of land in Washington county.

An act declaring certain creeks within this commonwealth, public highways.

An act establishing the rates of ferriage at Greensburg, Greene county, and to regulate the ferries in Washington, Westmoreland and Fayette counties.

An act to endow the House of Refuge, and for other purposes therein mentioned. And also,

Resolution for the further distribution of the pamphlet laws of this commonwealth.

Laid on the table.

Mr. Ihrie, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of the commissioners and viewers upon the river Delaware, praying the Legislature to adopt measures for the removal of certain obstructions to the navigation of that river, nearly opposite to the city of Trenton, made a report, (No. 244,) accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That a committee be appointed, in conjunction with a similar committee of the Senate, if that body shall appoint such committee, with instruction to proceed to view the obstructions complained of by the petitioners, and make report of the extent of the said obstruction, and what course, if any, be necessary to restore the navigation of the river Delaware at that particular point, in such manner as may be consistent with the public rights.

Which was read, and

Laid on the table.

Mr. Blair, from the committee to whom were referred, on the 26th February, sundry petitions on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 463, entitled "An act appropriating a sum of money in aid of making the road across the Shade mountain, on the state road leading from the west end of the Harrisburg bridge, through Landisburg, in Perry county, to the farm of John Ashman, in Huntingdon county.

Mr. Cunningham, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 22d February, a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 464, entitled "An act granting a sum of money in aid of erecting a bridge over Shenango creek, in Mercer county, at the town of Sharon."

Mr. Wilson, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 26th February, a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill, No. 465, entitled "An act appropriating a certain sum of money to improve the state road from Concord to Drake's ferry."

And the said bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

The bill from the Senate, No. 240, entitled "An act to make valid a certain deed from the administrator of Henry Snyder, deceased, to Michael Simon," was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered to be prepared for the third reading.

The bill from the Senate, No. 241, entitled "A supplement to the act, entitled An act to erect the town of Chester and its vicinity, in the county of Delaware, into a borough, and for other purposes therein mentioned," was read the second time.

When a motion was made by Mr. Barber, that the bill be re-committed to a committee of the whole House, for the purpose of amendment.

Which was agreed to.

And the House again resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Rahn in the chair, on the said bill.

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with amendments.

Whereupon,

The several sections of the bill were severally considered and agreed to.

The title was considered and agreed to, being amended so as to read as follows, viz. "An act relative to certain boroughs." And

Ordered, That the bill be prepared for the third reading.

On motion of Mr. Ellis,

The House resumed the consideration of the bill from the Senate, No. 242, entitled "An act abolishing the middle, southern and Lancaster districts of the supreme court, and establishing one at Harrisburg."

When a motion was made by Mr. Irwin, to postpone the further consideration of the bill for the present.

Which was agreed to.

Agreeably to leave given,

The House again resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. P. Stephens in the chair, on the bill No. 378, entitled "An act supplementary to an act, passed the 28th day of March, 1814, entitled An act making provision for the travelling expenses of the presidents and associate judges of the courts of common pleas."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with one amendment.

Agreeably to leave given,

The House again resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Knight in the chair, on the bill No. 226, entitled "An act to authorise the officers of the Land Office to issue warrants and patents for certain lands in Susquehanna county, ^{late the estate of} Andrew Allen."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

When a motion was made by Mr. Mallery, that the committee of the whole be discharged from the further consideration of the bill, and that the same, together with bill No. 269, entitled "An act authorising the issuing of a patent to Archippus Parrish," be committed to a select committee.

Which was agreed to, and

Ordered, That Messrs. P. Stephens, M'Sherry, Ihrie, Wise and Meredith, be of the committee.

On motion of Mr. J. Miller,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Madden in the chair, on the bill No. 354, entitled "An act directing the manner of appropriating the proceeds of real estate sold by sheriffs and coroners."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

Leave was granted, and

Ordered, That the committee of the whole sit again on to-morrow.

Adjourned until 3 o'clock this afternoon.

SAME DAY.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Hergesheimer in the chair, on the bill No. 38, entitled "An act to authorise the Governor to incorporate a company for erecting a bridge over the river Susquehanna, near the north line of the state, in Harmony township, Susquehanna county."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with amendments.

On motion of Mr. Hetrick,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Cope in the chair, on the bill No. 236, entitled "An act to authorise Philip J. King to sell a certain house and lot of ground situate in the borough of York, and to execute a title for the same."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with amendments.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, presented for concurrence the bills entitled as follow, viz.

No. 466, "An act for the protection of sureties in certain cases."

Which bill was read, and made the order of the day for Tuesday the 6th inst.

No. 467, "An act to enable Stogdell Stokes to erect a bridge over Broadhead's creek, in Northampton county."

No. 468, "An act to revoke the charter of the Northern bank of Pennsylvania."

And the said bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

The Clerk of the Senate also presented an extract from their journal, which was read as follows, viz.

"IN THE SENATE,

MARCH 2, 1827.

On motion,

Resolved, That Messrs. Kitchin, Duncan and Seltzer be a committee, in conjunction with a committee from the House of Representatives, (if that House should appoint such committee,) to report on a plan for the improvement of the public ground attached to the State Capitol, and such measures as may be necessary to carry the same into effect.

Laid on the table.

Adjourned until half past 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.



SATURDAY, March 3, 1827.

Mr. P. Stephens presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Susquehanna county, praying for the removal from office of Alexander C. Phelps, a justice of the peace of the said county.

Which was referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

Mr. Ringland presented the petition of the Snyder rifle rangers, of Washington county, praying to be furnished with public rifles.

Mr. DuCan presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of the city of Philadelphia, praying for certain alterations in the militia law.

Which were referred to the committee on the militia system.

Mr. Eldred presented the proceedings of a meeting of citizens of Northampton county, held in the borough of Easton, in favor of a canal from the tide waters on the river Delaware, up the valley of that stream.

Mr. Thomas presented the proceedings of a meeting of citizens of Luzerne county, held in Tunkhannock township, approving of the late report of the Pennsylvania canal commissioners.

Mr. Martin presented six petitions from sundry inhabitants of Delaware county, praying that provision may be made in the bill for incorporating a company to make a turnpike road from Wilmington to Philadelphia, for the payment to the county of Delaware of the value of the bridges erected on the said road in that county.

Mr. Buyers presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Lancaster county, against laying a tax on dogs in the said county.

Mr. J. Stevens presented six petitions from sundry inhabitants of Montgomery county, praying for aid to the erection of a bridge over the river Schuylkill at Norristown.

Mr. Evans presented a petition of like import with the foregoing.

Mr. Matheys of Montgomery presented three petitions of like import with the foregoing.

Mr. Evans presented three remonstrances from sundry inhabitants of Montgomery county, against the passage of a law directing the commissioners of the said county to subscribe to stock of the Norristown bridge.

And the said petitions and remonstrances were

- Laid on the table.

Mr. J. Stevens presented four petitions from sundry inhabitants of Moreland and Horsham townships, in Montgomery county, praying that the place of holding their general elections may be changed to the house of Joseph B. Yerkes, in the village of Flatborough.

Mr. J. Stevens presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Moreland and Horsham townships, in Montgomery county, against changing the place of holding their general elections.

And the said petitions and remonstrance were referred to the committee on election districts.

Mr. Buyers presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Lancaster county, praying that the city and county of Lancaster may, for certain purposes, be separated.

Which was referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

Mr. Evans presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Montgomery county, against laying out a state road from Pottstown to Trexler's store.

Mr. Wilson presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of

Huntingdon county, praying for the repeal of the act of the 5th April 1826, relative to the state road from Johnstown to Fort Littleton.

Mr. Brown of Allegheny presented a memorial from sundry inhabitants of Ross township, in Allegheny county, remonstrating against erecting the town of Allegheny into a borough, unless the same be bounded by the limits of the town and that part of Ross township which lies between said town and the Allegheny river.

And the said remonstrance, petition and memorial were
Laid on the table.

Mr. Evans obtained leave of absence for a few days.

Mr. Matthewson, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 24th February, a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 469, entitled "An act to incorporate the Pedo Baptist congregational society in Smithfield township, in the county of Bradford."

Mr. Krepps, from the committee to whom was, on yesterday, referred a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 470, entitled "An act appropriating a sum of money to open a state road through part of Fayette county."

And the said bills were read, and
Laid on the table.

Mr. P. Stephens, from the committee to whom were referred the petition and documents relative to the claim of the heirs of Elisha Mathewson, asked leave to report by bill.

And on the question,
Shall leave be granted?

A motion was made by Mr. M'Creery, to postpone the question, and that the committee be directed to report the facts of the case to the House.

And on the question,
Will the House agree to the motion?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Petrikin and Mr. Ellis, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Agnew
Aughinbaugh
Bertolet
Binder
Blair
Bonner
Bonsall
Boyd
Cooper
Cope
Dillinger
Duncan

Mr. Ellis
W. Forster
Good
Haines
Irwin
Kerr
Lehman
M'Clure
M'Creery
M'Sherry
Martin
Meredith

Mr. R. Miller
Nicholson
Pennypacker
Petrikin
Ringland
Scudder
Shannon
J. R. C. Smith
Thompson
Wilson
Ritner, *Sp'r.*

NAYS.

Mr. Alter	Mr. Farrell	Mr. Matheys, Mont.
Atkinson	W. B. Foster	H. Miller
Beatty	Gebhart	J. Miller
G. Bell	Hergesheimer	Patterson
Bell Leb.	Hetrick	Rahn
Bell, West.	Hottenstein	Ramsey
Brown, Allegh.	Ihrle	Rankin
Brown, Lan.	James	Snyder
Burden	Kennedy	P. Stephens
Cummin	Knight	J. Stevens
Cunningham	Krepps	Thomas
Denny	Lauman	Tutwiler
Dunlap	M'Bride	Whitlatch
Eldred	M'Reynolds	Wise
Evans	Madden	Woolverton
Fackenthall	Mathews, Cam.	

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So the question was determined in the negative.

And the question recurring,

Shall leave be granted to the committee to report by bill?

It was determined in the affirmative.

Whereupon,

Mr. P. Stephens, from the said committee, reported a bill,

No. 471, entitled "A supplement to the act, entitled An act for the purpose of adjusting the titles to lands in Bedford and Ulster townships, in Luzerne and Lycoming counties, passed the 19th March, 1810."

Mr. Woolverton, from the committee to whom was, on yesterday, referred a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 472, entitled "An act granting to the congregation of Roman Catholics of the borough of Erie, and parts adjacent thereto, two lots of ground in said borough."

And the said bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. J. Miller,

Ordered, That Messrs. J. Miller, Lauman and Shannon be a committee, in conjunction with a committee of the Senate, to report a plan for the improvement of the public ground attached to the State Capitol, and such measures as may be necessary to carry the same into effect. And

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate of the same.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, presented for concurrence the bills entitled as follow, viz.

No. 473, "An act authorising the administrators of Peter Anthony to sell and convey certain real estate, and for other purposes."

No. 474, "An act to enable Rosina Jacoby to convey certain real estate, and for other purposes."

Which bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

He returned the bill No. 44, entitled "An act for the relief of sundry soldiers, and widows of soldiers, of the revolutionary war."

And gave information,

That the Senate have passed said bill with an amendment, in which the concurrence of the House of Representatives is requested.

The amendment by the Senate to the said bill, was read, considered and concurred in. And

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate of the same.

On leave given,

A motion was made by Mr. Cunningham, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That the committee who reported bill No. 471, entitled "A supplement to the act, entitled An act for the purpose of adjusting the titles to lands in Bedford and Ulster townships, in Luzerne and Lycoming counties, passed the 19th day of March, 1810," be instructed to report a detailed statement of the facts as given in evidence before the committee on which the said bill was reported.

And on motion,

The said resolution was read the second time.

When a motion was made by Mr. Eldred, to postpone the further consideration of the same until Monday next.

Which was disagreed to.

And the resolution was adopted.

Adjourned until half past 9 o'clock on Monday morning next,



MONDAY, March 5, 1827.

The Speaker laid before the House a letter (No. 245.) from the Auditor General, accompanied with a statement, (No. 246,) of the sums received under the act relative to collateral inheritances.

Which were read,

And on motion, of Mr. Harrison,

Ordered, That the same be referred to the committee of ways and means.

Mr. Walker presented a document relative to the claim of John Taylor.

Mr. Alter presented the petition of Lucy Johnston, of Cumberland county, accompanied with documents, on behalf of herself and the other children of Hugh Johnston, deceased, praying compensation for a tract of donation land, to which the said Hugh was entitled for his services in the revolutionary war.

And the said petition and documents were referred to the committee on claims.

Mr. Kennedy presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Hanover township, Northampton county, praying that the said township may be annexed to the Bethlehem election district.

Mr. F. Smith presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Fannett township, Franklin county, against changing the place of holding their general elections.

Mr. Woolverton presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Fairview township, Erie county, praying that the place of holding their general elections may be changed to the house of Joseph Osborn.

Mr. Matheys of Montgomery presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Mooreland and Horsham township, Montgomery county, praying that the place of holding their general elections may be changed to the house now occupied by Joseph B. Yerkes, in Hatborough.

Mr. Overholzer presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Earl and Cocalico township, Lancaster county, praying that parts of the said townships may be erected into a separate election district, and the elections thereof held at the house of Jacob Slick.

Mr. Wise presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of North Huntingdon township, Westmoreland county, praying that the said township may be erected into two separate election districts, the electors of one of which to hold their general elections at the house of Elizabeth Carnahan, and of the other at the house now occupied by William Skelly, in Jacksonville.

Mr. Ihrie presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Towamensing township, Northampton county, praying that the place of holding their general elections may be changed to the house of John D. Bowman the younger.

Mr. Ihrie presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Towamensing township, Northampton county, against changing the place of holding their general elections.

And the said petitions and remonstrances were referred to the committee on election districts.

Mr. Harrison presented three petitions from sundry inhabitants of Bucks county, praying for the passage of a law laying a tax on dogs in the said county.

Which were referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

Mr. M'Clure presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Lycoming and Potter counties, praying for an appropriation in

aid of improving the navigation of the east branch of Sinnema-honing creek.

Which was referred to Messrs. M'Clure, Bertolet and Matheys of Montgomery.

Mr. Irwin presented two memorials from sundry inhabitants of the western part of this state, praying that measures may be taken to effect the abolition of slavery in the United States.

Mr. Rahn presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Schuylkill county, against the incorporation of coal companies.

Mr. Rankin presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Wheatfield township, Indiana county, against the passage of a law for the relief of John Carney and David Tomb, late supervisors of the said township.

Mr. Farrell presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Westmoreland county, praying for certain alterations in the law to incorporate the Mount Pleasant free road company.

Mr. J. Stevens presented six petitions from sundry inhabitants of Montgomery county, praying for an appropriation in aid of the erection of a bridge across the river Schuylkill at Norristown.

Mr. Cope presented a petition of like import with the foregoing.

Mr. Overholzer presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Lancaster county, against the passage of a law laying a tax on dogs in the said county.

Mr. Rahn presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Montgomery county, praying for a review of the state road from Orwigsburg to Stetler's tavern.

And the said petitions, memorials and remonstrances were

Laid on the table.

Mr. Agnew presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Lancaster county, praying that the said county may be separated from the city of Lancaster for certain purposes.

Mr. Buyers presented a petition of like import with the foregoing.

And the said petitions were referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

Mr. Pearson presented a remonstrance from sundry firemen of the county of Philadelphia, against the passage of a law to exempt them from the performance of militia duty.

Mr. Pearson presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of the county of Philadelphia, praying for certain alterations in the militia law, so far as it respects the 1st division, Pennsylvania militia.

And the said petitions were referred to the committee on the militia system.

Mr. Scudder presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Northumberland county, praying that a company may be incorporated for the purpose of manufacturing woollen and hempen goods and flour.

Which was referred to the committee on domestic manufactures.

Mr. Ellis presented a petition from sundry stockholders in the Harrisburg and Millerstown turnpike road company, praying that

the number of the managers of the said company may be increased.

Which was referred to Messrs. Ellis, Blair and Dorrance.

On motion of Mr. Ringland,

Ordered, That when this House adjourns this afternoon, it will adjourn to meet at 9 o'clock to morrow morning, and that that be the standing hour of meeting until otherwise ordered.

On motion of Mr. Ellis,

Ordered, That the order of the day be discharged so far as it respects the bill No. 442, entitled "An act to alter the times of holding the courts of common pleas, and county courts, and to establish courts of general common pleas, and that the same be the first order for Monday the 12th inst.

On motion of Mr. Wise,

Ordered, That Mr. Ellis and Mr. Cooper be of the committee to whom was referred the petition of Ann Longsdorff.

Mr. Atkinson, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 2d inst. a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 475, entitled "An act authorising the laying out of a state road from the mouth of Tionista creek to the principal forks thereof."

Mr. Atkinson, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 2d inst. a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 476, entitled "An act for the relief of Daniel Williams."

Mr. Scudder, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 1st inst. a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 477, entitled "An act authorising the Governor to incorporate the Shanokin canal company."

Mr. Atkinson, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 13th ultimo, a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 478, entitled "An act authorising the state treasurer to pay certain taxes due on lands late of Dickinson college, in the county of Venango, now the property of this commonwealth."

Which bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

Mr. Denny, from the committee appointed for the purpose, reported a bill,

No. 479, entitled "An act supplementary to an act, entitled "An act to regulate arbitrations and proceedings in courts of justice."

Which bill was read, and made the order of the day for Monday, the 12th instant.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced presented for concurrence the bill No. 480, entitled "An act to incorporate the rector, church wardens and vestrymen of the Episcopal church of St. Paul's, in Beaver county.

Which bill was read, and

Laid on the table.

He returned the bills entitled as follow, viz.

No. 14, "An act granting a sum of money for improving the navigation of the Tuscarora creek, in Mifflin county."

No. 34, "An act for the establishment of a college at Union town, in the county of Fayette."

And gave information,

That the Senate have passed said bills, the first without and the latter with amendments, in which the concurrence of the House of Representatives is requested.

The amendments by the Senate to the said bill were read, considered and concurred in. And

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate of the same.

The bill from the Senate, No. 240, entitled "An act to make valid a certain deed from the administrator of Henry Snyder, deceased, to Michael Simon," was read the third time and passed, And

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate.

The bill from the Senate,

No. 241, entitled "A supplement to the act, entitled An act to erect the town of Chester and its vicinity in the county of Delaware into a borough, and for other purposes therein mentioned," was read the third time and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk return the said bill to the Senate, and request their concurrence in the amendments thereto by this House.

A motion was made by Mr. Irwin, that the House proceed to the consideration of the resolution read on the 24th ultimo, relative to the final adjournment of the Legislature.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Wise and Mr. Ellis, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. Hetrick	Mr. Matheys, Mont.
Aughinbaugh	Hottenstein	H. Miller
G. Bell	Ihrie	Nicholson
Bell, Leb.	Irwin	Overholzer
Bell, West.	James	Rahn
Binder	Kennedy	Ringland
Bohner	Krepps	F. Smith
Buyers	Lauman	J. Stevens
Cooper	M'Bride	Tutwiler
Cope	M'Sherry	Whitlatch
Farrell	Martin	Wilson
W. Forster		

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NAYS.

Mr. Alter	Mr. Bertolet	Mr. Brown, Allegh.
Atkinson	Bonsall	Burden
Beatty	Boyd	Cummin

NAYS.

Mr. Denny	Mr. Knight	Mr. Petrikin
Dillinger	Lehman	Ramsey
Dorrance	M'Clure	Rankin
Duncan	M'Creery	Scudder
Eldred	Madden	Shannon
Ellis	Mathews, Cam.	J. R. C. Smith
Fackenthall	Mathewson	Snyder
Gebhart	Meredith	Thomas
Good	G. Miller	Walker
Haines	R. Miller	Wise
Harrison	Patterson	Woolverton
Hergesheimer	Pearson	Ritner, Sp'r.
Kerr	Pennypacker	

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So the question was determined in the negative.

On motion of Mr. M'Bride,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Gebhart in the chair, on the resolution, No. 446, relative to Purdon's digest.

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the resolution negatived.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the report of the committee of the whole?

A motion was made by Mr. M'Bride, to postpone the question for the present.

Which was disagreed to.

And the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the report of the committee of the whole?

It was determined in the affirmative.

The bill No. 378, entitled "An act supplementary to an act, passed the 28th day of March, 1814, entitled An act making provision for the travelling expenses of the presidents and associate judges of the courts of common pleas," was read the second time.

And on the question,

Will House agree to the first section?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Irwin and Mr. Nicholson, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Alter	Bonner	Mr. Dunlap
Atkinson	Bonsall	Ellis
Beatty	Brown, Allegh.	Fackenthall
Bell, Leb.	Cummin	Farrell
Bell, West.	Denny	W. Forster
Bertolet	Duncan	W. B. Foster

YEAS.

Mr. Good
Harrison
Hottenstein
Irwin
Kerr
Krepps
M'Bride
M'Clure
M'Sherry

Mr. Madden
Martin
Mathewson
Meredith
R. Miller
Nicholson
Pennypacker
Rahn
Rankin

Mr. Shannon
F. Smith
J. Stevens
Tutwiler
Walker
Wilson
Wise
Woolverton
Ritner, *Sp'r.* 45

NAYS.

Mr. Agnew
Aughinbaugh
Binder
Boyd
Burden
Buyers
Cooper
Cope
Cunningham
Dillinger
Dorrance

Mr. Eldred
Gebhart
Hergesheimer
Hetrick
Ihrie
James
Kennedy
Knight
Lauman
M'Creery
Mathews, Cam.

Mr. Matheys, Mont.
G. Miller
Overholzer
Patterson
Pearson
Petrikin
Ramsey
Ringland
Thomas
Thompson
Whitlatch 35

So the question was determined in the affirmative.

The title was considered and agreed to. And

Ordered, That the bill be transcribed for the third reading.

The bill No. 38, entitled "An act to authorise the Governor to incorporate a company for erecting a bridge over the river Susquehanna, near the north line of Pennsylvania, in Harmony township, Susquehanna county," was read the second time.

And the sections to the twenty-third were severally considered and agreed to.

When a motion was made by Mr. Meredith, that the said bill be re-committed to a select committee, with instructions to report a separate bill for each corporation.

Which was agreed to. And

Ordered, That Messrs. P. Stephens, Ihrie, Mathewson, Duncan, Martin and M'Reynolds be of the committee.

The bill No. 236, entitled "An act to authorise Philip J. King, of York, to sell a certain house and lot of ground situate in the borough of York, and to execute a title for the same," was read the second time.

And the first and second sections were severally considered and agreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Ellis, that the said bill be re-committed to a select committee, with instructions to report the same in separate bills.

The motion being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. M'Sherry, to amend the same by adding thereto, "and that Mr. Ellis be the chairman of the said committee."

The amendment being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Ellis, to amend the same by striking therefrom "Ellis," and inserting in lieu thereof "M'Sherry."

Which was disagreed to.

And the amendment was agreed to.

And the motion as amended was agreed to. And

Ordered, That Messrs. Ellis, Hetrick, Becker, Hergesheimer, Haines, Cunningham, Cooper, Atkinson, Mallery and Lehman be of the committee.

Agreeably to the order of the day,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Kerr in the chair, on the bill No. 440, entitled "An act to cede the jurisdiction of the territory occupied for a navy yard, near the city of Philadelphia, to the government of the United States."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill without amendment.

Agreeably to the order of the day,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Wise in the chair, on the bill No. 360, entitled "An act relative to the discharge of mortgages filed in the Land-Office."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill without amendment.

Adjourned until 3 o'clock this afternoon.

SAME DAY.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Becker in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 246, entitled "An act authorising the laying out a state road from Dillsburg, in the county of York, to the town of Berlin, in Adams county."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the first section negatived.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the report of the committee of the whole?

A motion was made by Mr. M'Sherry, to postpone the question for the present.

Which was disagreed to.

And the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the report of the committee of the whole?

It was determined in the affirmative.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. W. Forster in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 253, entitled "An act authorising the laying out a state road from the widow Plesterer's tavern, in Warwick township, in the county of Lancaster, to Shafterstown, in the county of Lebanon."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the first section negatived.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the report of the committee of the whole?

A motion was made by Mr. Bell of Lebanon, to postpone the question for the present.

Which was agreed to.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Ringland in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 280, entitled "An act incorporating the theological seminary of the general synod of the Evangelical Lutheran church in the United States."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

When a motion was made by Mr. Lawson, that the committee of the whole be discharged from the further consideration of the said bill, and that the same be committed to the committee on education.

The motion being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Petrikin, to amend the same by striking therefrom "the committee on education," and inserting in lieu thereof, "a select committee."

Which was agreed to.

And the motion as amended was agreed to. And

Ordered, That Messrs. Lawson, Bonner, Meredith, Binder and Atkinson be of the committee.

Adjourned until 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

TUESDAY, March 6, 1827.

Mr. P. Stephens presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Lenox township, Susquehanna county, praying that the place of holding their general elections may be changed to the house of Cape Rynearson.

Mr. P. Stephens presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Lenox township, Susquehanna county, against changing the place of holding their general elections.

Mr. Mathewson presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Sheshequin township, Bradford county, against changing the place of holding their general elections.

Mr. Aughinbaugh presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Fannett township, Franklin county, against changing the place of holding their general elections.

Mr. J. Miller presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Wheatfield township, Perry county, praying that the place of holding their general elections may be changed to the town of Petersburg.

And the said petitions and remonstrances were referred to the committee on election districts.

Mr. Bertolet presented a remonstrance from William C. Leavenworth, of Berks county, against the passage of a law to try the right of the informer's share to the escheated estate of Henry Bohn, deceased.

Mr. Rahn presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Schuylkill county, against the incorporation of coal companies.

Mr. Cope presented five remonstrances from sundry inhabitants of Montgomery county, against the passage of a law directing the commissioners of the said county, to subscribe for stock in the company for erecting a bridge over the river Schuylkill at Norristown.

Mr. Matheys of Montgomery presented four petitions from sundry inhabitants of Montgomery county, praying for aid to the erection of a bridge over the river Schuylkill at Norristown.

And the said petitions and remonstrances were

Laid on the table.

Mr. Scudder presented the petition of Ann Vanderslice, of Northumberland county, accompanied with a document, stating the services of her late husband, Henry Vanderslice, in the revolutionary war, and praying relief.

Mr. Scudder presented the petition of Joseph Alter, of Northumberland county, accompanied with documents, stating his services in the late war, and praying relief.

And the said petitions and documents were referred to the committee on claims.

Mr. Wilson presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Bedford and Huntingdon counties, praying for a review of a part of the state road from the Northern turnpike, near the house of John Blair, in Huntingdon county, to the Southern turnpike, in Bedford county.

Which was referred to Messrs. Wilson, J. Miller and James.

Mr. J. Miller presented two petitions from sundry inhabitants of Perry county, praying that a state road may be laid out from Landisburg to Carlisle.

Which were referred to the members from Perry and Cumberland counties.

Mr. Dunlap presented a remonstrance from the trustees of the Pennsylvania Agricultural and Manufacturing bank, against the passage of a law to compel the stockholders to make further payments on their shares of stock.

Which was referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

A motion was made by Mr. M'Reynolds, that this House will meet at 3 o'clock on Thursday afternoon next, for the purpose of considering the bill No. 310, entitled "A further supplement to the act, entitled An act to authorise the Governor to incorporate a company for erecting a bridge over the river Susquehanna, at the town of Danville."

The motion being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Bonner, to amend the same by adding thereto, "and the bill No. 68, entitled "An act to provide for the settlement of the concerns of the Farmers' and Mechanics' bank of Greencastle."

The amendment being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Scudder, to amend the same by adding thereto "And the bill No. 223, entitled "An act to lay out and improve a road on the east side of the Susquehanna river, from the borough of Sunbury, through Georgetown, to Rodgers' ferry."

Which was agreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Blair, further amend the amendment by adding thereto, "And the bill No. 347, entitled "An act to increase the number of managers in the Huntingdon, Cambria and Indiana turnpike road company, and for other purposes."

Which was agreed to.

And the amendment as amended was agreed to.

And the motion as amended was agreed to.

Mr. Dillinger, from the committee appointed to compare bills and present them to the Governor for his approbation, made report, which was read as follows, viz.

That in conjunction with a similar committee from the Senate, they have compared and on this day presented to the Governor for his approbation, the bills entitled as follow, to wit:

"An act for the relief of sundry soldiers and widows of soldiers of the revolutionary war."

"An act to make valid a certain deed from the administrator of Henry Snyder, deceased, to Michael Simon."

"An act to incorporate the Franklin library company of Ten Mile, in the county of Washington."

"An act for the establishment of a college at Uniontown, in the county of Fayette."

"An act granting a sum of money for improving the navigation of the Tuscarora creek, in Mifflin county."

Laid on the table.

Mr. M'Creery, from the committee on claims, made a report, (No. 247,) relative to the claim of Jane English, accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That the committee be discharged from any further consideration of the subject. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

Mr. P. Stephens, from the committee to whom was, on yesterday, recommitted the bill No. 38, entitled "An act to authorise the Governor to incorporate a company for erecting a bridge over the river Susquehanna, near the north line of Pennsylvania, in Harmony township, Susquehanna county," reported the same bill, together with the bills entitled as follow, viz.

No. 52, "An act to authorise the Governor to incorporate a company to erect a bridge over the north east branch of the Susquehanna river, at or near the village of Athens, in the county of Bradford."

No. 106, "A supplement to an act, entitled "An act for establishing and building a bridge across the river Lehigh at Bethlehem, in the county Northampton, passed April 3, A. D. 1792."

No. 398, "An act to incorporate the Philadelphia towing boat company."

No. 200, "An act to enable the Governor to incorporate a company for making an artificial turnpike road from the Delaware state line, on the road leading from Wilmington, Delaware, through Chester and Darby in Delaware county, to the city of Philadelphia, so far as to intersect the Philadelphia, Brandywine and New London turnpike road."

No. 230, "A supplement to the act entitled "An act authorising the Governor to incorporate the Susquehanna and Lehigh canal company."

Which bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

Mr. Ellis, from the committee to whom was, on yesterday, referred a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 481, entitled "An act relative to the Harrisburg and Millerstown turnpike road company."

Which bill was read, and

Laid on the table.

Mr. Ellis, from the committee to whom was, on yesterday, committed the bill No. 236, entitled "An act to authorise Philip J. King, of York, to sell a certain house and lot of ground situate in

the borough of York, and to execute a title for the same, reported the same bill, together with the bills entitled as follow, viz.

No. 324, "A supplement to the act, entitled An act authorising the executors of Robert Brooke and others, to sell and convey certain real estate."

No. 429, "An act to authorise the trustees of the Methodist meeting house in Germantown, in the county of Philadelphia, to dispose of the same."

No. 419, "An act authorising John Hunter, of the county of Delaware, to sell and convey certain real estate."

No. 69, "An act authorising James Watson to sell and convey a tract of land in Bedford county, of which Samuel Moore died seized."

No. 449, "An act supplementary to an act, authorising the executors of James Anderson, deceased, to sell certain real estate of the testator, passed 11th April, A. D. 1825."

No. 170, "An act authorising the administrators of Henry Hurst, to sell and convey real estate."

No. 290, "An act to authorise the trustees of Athens township, in Bradford county, to convey certain lands."

No. 417, "An act authorising the guardian of the minor children of the Rev. John E. Latta, to sell and convey certain real estate."

No. 91, "An act vesting certain powers in the administrators of the estate of William Elliott, deceased."

No. 404, "An act to enable the guardians of the minor children of Thomas J. Paschall and Mary H. Morris, to sell and lease on improvement certain lands in Schuylkill county."

Which bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

The bill No. 378, entitled "An act supplementary to an act, passed the twenty-eighth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and fourteen, entitled An act making provision for the travelling expenses of the president and associate judges of the courts of common pleas," was read the third time and passed. And

Ordered. That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. J. R. C. Smith,

The House resumed the consideration of the resolution postponed on the 27th ult. relative to the directors of the bank of Pennsylvania and Philadelphia Bank.

When a motion was made by Mr. Ellis, to amend the same by striking therefrom "that the presidents and cashiers of the bank of Pennsylvania and of the Philadelphia Bank, respectively, be required to communicate to this House," and inserting in lieu thereof these words, "that a committee be appointed to visit the bank of Pennsylvania and the Philadelphia Bank, and inquire into the state of said banks, and ascertain".

When a motion was made by Mr. Burden, to postpone the amendment, together with the resolution, indefinitely.

Which was disagreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Boyd, to postpone the amendment, together with the resolution, for the present.

And on the question,

Will the House agree so to postpone?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. J. R. C. Smith and Mr. Tutwiler, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Duncan	Mr. Meredith
Aughinbaugh	Dunlap	G. Miller
Beatty	Fackenthall	H. Miller
G. Bell	W. Forster	R. Miller
Bell, Leb.	W. B. Foster	Patterson
Bell, West.	Gebhart	Pearson
Bertolet	Good	Pennypacker
Binder	Harrison	Ramsey
Bonsall	Hergesheimer	Rankin
Boyd	Hottenstein	Scudder
Brown, Allegh.	Ihrig	Shannon
Brown, Lan.	Knight	F. Smith
Burden	Lawson	J. Stevens
Cooper	M'Clure	Thomas
Cope	M'Creery	Thompson
Cummin	M'Ewen	Wise
Cunningham	M'Reynolds	Woltersberger
Denny	Martin	Ritner, Sp'r.
Dillinger	Mathewson	

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NAYS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. James	Mr. Nicholson
Alter	Kennedy	Overholzer
Becker	Kerr	Petrik
Blair	Krepps	Rahn
Bonner	Lauman	Ringland
Buyers	Lehman	J. R. C. Smith
Dorrance	M'Bride	Snyder
Eldred	M'Shey	Tutwiler
Ellis	Madde	Whitlatch
Farrell	Mathes, Mont.	Wilson
Irwin	J. Milk	Wolford

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So the question was determined in the affirmative.

On motion of Mr. Lawson

The resolution attached to the report of the committee appointed on the subject, read on the 13th ult. relative to the tolls of turnpike road companies, was, a second time, considered and adopted.

The bill No. 440, entitled "An act to cede the jurisdiction of the territory occupied for a railway yard, near the city of Philadelphia to the government of the United States," was read the second time.

And the section being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Burden, to amend the same by striking from the 7th line, "near the city," and inserting in lieu thereof, "in the county"—and by striking from the 8th line "one," and inserting in lieu thereof, "the east."

And on the question,

Will the House agree so to amend?

A division of the question was called for by Mr. Ellis.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment in the 7th line?

It was determined in the affirmative.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment in the 8th line?

It was determined in the affirmative.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the section?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Burden and Mr. Pearson, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. W. Forster	Mr. J. Miller
Alter	W. B. Foster	R. Miller
Atkinson	Gebhart	Nicholson
Aughinbaugh	Good	Overholzer
Beatty	Haines	Patterson
Becker	Harrison	Pennypacker
G. Bell	Hetrick	Petrickin
Bell Leb.	Hottenstein	Rahn
Bell, West.	Ihrle	Ramsey
Bertolet	Irwin	Rankin
Binder	Janes	Ringland
Blair	Kennedy	Scudder
Bonner	Ker	Shannon
Bonsall	Kreps	F. Smith
Boyd	Lauhan	J. R. C. Smith
Brown, Allegh.	Lehtan	J. Stevens
Buyers	M'Clure	Thomas
Cope	M'Crery	Thompson
Cummin	M'Renolds	Tutwiler
Cunningham	M'Shery	Walker
Denny	Madda	Whitlatch
Dillinger	Martin	Wilson
Dorrance	Mathey, Mont.	Wise
Duncan	Mathewson	Wolfersberger
Dunlap	Meredith	Wolford
Ellis	G. Miller	Woolverton
Fackenthall	H. Miller	Ritner, Sp'r.
Farrell		

NAVS.

Mr. Brown, Lan.	Mr. Hergesheimer	Mr. M'Ewen	
Burden	Lawson	Pearson	
Cooper	M'Bride	Snyder	9

So the question was determined in the affirmative.

The title was considered and agreed to, being amended by striking therefrom "near the city," and inserting in lieu thereof "in the county." And

Ordered, That the bill be transcribed for the third reading.

On motion of Mr. Ellis,

The rule which prohibits the reading of bills twice on the same day, being in this case dispensed with, the said bill was read the third time and passed, and

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

The bill No. 360, entitled "An act relative to the discharge of mortgages filed in the Land-Office," was read the second time.

And the section being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Ellis, to postpone the further consideration of the same, together with the bill, until Monday next.

Which was agreed to.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, presented for concurrence the bills entitled as follow, viz.

No. 482, "A supplement to the act, entitled An act authorising the Governor to incorporate the Conestoga navigation company."

No. 483, "An act granting aid to Allegheny college, in Crawford county."

No. 484, "A supplement to an act, entitled An act to erect the town of Indiana, in the county of Indiana, into a borough."

No. 485, "An act for the relief of Patrick Dickson and James Ryley, soldiers of the revolution."

No. 486, "An act to repeal the eighth, ninth and tenth sections of an act authorising the sale and conveyance of certain real estate, and for other purposes, passed March 31, 1825."

And the said bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

Adjourned until 3 o'clock this afternoon.

SAME DAY.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Ramsey in the chair, on the bill No. 172, entitled "An act for raising, by way of lottery, the sum of sixty thousand dollars, for defraying the expenses of introducing water into the city of Lancaster."

And after some time,
The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with amendments.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. McClure in the chair, on the bill No. 123, entitled "An act to enable the Chambersburg water company to raise a sum of money, by way of lottery."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with amendments.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Scudder in the chair, on the bill No. 301, entitled "An act to enable Robert Wilkinson, of Fayette county, to dispose of his property by way of lottery."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the first section negatived.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the report of the committee of the whole?

It was determined in the affirmative.

On motion of Mr. Bertolet,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Mathewson in the chair, on the bill No. 71, entitled "A supplement to the act, entitled An act to provide for the erection of a house of employment and support of the poor, in and for the county of Berks, and for other purposes."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with amendments.

On motion of Mr. Krepps,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. J. Miller in the chair, on the bill No. 273, entitled "An act to authorise Jacob Crawford, Abel S. Crawford, Josiah Crawford and James S. Crawford, to erect a dam on the Monongahela river."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

Leave was granted. And

Ordered, That the committee of the whole sit again on Thursday, the 8th inst.

Adjourned until 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

WEDNESDAY, March 7, 1827.

The Speaker laid before the House a letter, (No. 248,) from the president of the board of the controllers of public schools.

Which was read, and

Laid on the table.

The Secretary of the Commonwealth being introduced, presented a message from the Governor, which was read as follows, viz.

To the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

GENTLEMEN—I have this day approved and signed the following acts of the General Assembly, and directed the Secretary of the Commonwealth to return them to the Houses in which they respectively originated, viz.

An act for the establishment of a college at Uniontown, in the county of Fayette.

An act to make valid a certain deed from the administrator of Henry Snyder, deceased, to Michael Simon.

An act to incorporate the Franklin library company of Ten Mile, in the county of Washington.

An act for the relief of sundry soldiers and widows of soldiers of the revolutionary war.

An act granting a sum of money for improving the navigation of the Tuscarora creek, in Mifflin county.

J. ANDW. SHULZE.

Harrisburg, March 7, 1827.

Laid on the table.

Mr. Rahn presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Schuylkill and Northumberland counties, against the incorporation of coal companies.

Mr. Krepps presented a memorial from sundry inhabitants of the western part of this state, praying that measures may be taken for the abolition of slavery in the United States.

Mr. Krepps presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Fayette county, against the further extension of the Pennsylvania canal.

Mr. Becker presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of the borough of York, York county, against laying a tax on dogs in the said borough.

Mr. Cooper presented a remonstrance of like import with the foregoing.

Mr. Kennedy presented two remonstrances from sundry inhabitants of Northampton county, against a division of the said county.

Mr. Ihrie presented a remonstrance of like import with the foregoing.

Mr. Boyer presented three remonstrances from sundry inhabitants of Berks county, against laying out a state road from Pottstown to Trexler's store.

Mr. Rankin presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Armstrong county, praying for the erection of a new county out of parts of Armstrong and Venango counties.

Mr. J. Stevens presented three remonstrances from sundry inhabitants of Montgomery county, remonstrating against the further extension of the Pennsylvania canal, and praying for the repeal of the act relative to collateral inheritances.

Mr. Boyer presented two memorials of like import with the foregoing, from sundry inhabitants of Berks county.

Mr. Atkinson presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Venango county, praying that a state road may be laid out from the mouth of Teonista creek to the principal forks in Warren county.

Mr. Boyer presented two petitions from sundry inhabitants of Berks county, praying for an appropriation in aid of the erection of a bridge over the river Schuylkill, at Hamburg.

Mr. Brown of Lancaster presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Lancaster county, praying for the passage of a law laying a tax on dogs in the said county.

And the said petitions, memorials and remonstrances were Laid on the table.

Mr. Beatty presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Butler, Mercer and Venango counties, praying for an appropriation in aid of the Roseburg and Mercer turnpike road company.

Which was referred to the committee on inland navigation and internal improvements.

Mr. Cooper presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Lower Chanceford township, York county, against changing the place of holding their general elections.

Mr. Ringland presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Hopewell township, Washington county, praying that the place of holding their general elections may be changed to the house of James M'Fadden, in West Middleton.

Mr. Overholzer presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Cocalico township, Lancaster county, against changing the place of holding their general elections.

And the said petition and remonstrances were referred to the committee on election districts.

Mr. Walker presented sundry documents relative to the claim of Christina House.

Which were referred to the committee on claims.

Mr. Ihrie presented a petition from the managers of the Easton water company, in Northampton county, praying for authority to raise twelve thousand dollars, by way of lottery.

Which was referred to Messrs. Ihrie, F. Smith and Overholzer.

Mr. J. Miller presented a petition from sundry citizens of this commowearth, praying that the law which authorises petit juries to compel defendants to pay costs when acquitted, may be repealed.

Which was referred to the committee on the judiciary system.

Mr. Overholzer presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of the city of Lancaster, praying that the acts relative to the recording of deeds may be extended to certain other instruments of writing.

Which was referred to Messrs. Overholzer, M'Clure and Bertolet.

Mr. Barber presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Lancaster county, praying that the said county may be separated from the city of Lancaster for certain purposes.

Which was referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

A motion was made by Mr. Alter, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That the president of the board of canal commissioners be, he is hereby directed, to furnish this house with a statement of the instructions given to John Mitchell, Esq. relative to making the survey and level for a canal route through the counties of Cumberland and Franklin, along the Conedoguinet and Conecocheaque creeks, to the Potomac,

And on motion the said resolution was read the second, time considered and adopted.

On motion of Mr. W. Forster,

Ordered, That Monday afternoon next be appropriated to the consideration of bills from the Senate.

A motion was made by Mr. J. Miller, that this House will meet at 3 o'clock on Tuesday afternoon next, for the purpose of considering the bill No. 361, entitled "An act to authorise the erection of fish dams and fish baskets in the rivers Susquehanna and Juniatta, and their branches, under certain regulations and restrictions.

The motion being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Cooper, to amend the same by adding thereto "And the bill No. 205, entitled "An act to enable the Governor to incorporate a company to make a turnpike road from the northern termination of the York and Conewago turnpike road, to the west end of the Harrisburg bridge."

The amendment being under consideration.

A motion was made by Mr. Boyd, to amend the same by adding thereto, "And the bill No. 45, entitled "An act to incorporate the stockholders of the Philadelphia arcade."

Which was agreed to.

And the amendment as amended was agreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Eldred, further to amend the motion by adding thereto and the bill No. 62, entitled "An act to annul the marriage contract of Jacob S. Davis and Sarah Ann, his wife."

Which was agreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Blair further to amend the motion by adding thereto, "And the bill No. 347, entitled "An act to increase the number of managers in the Huntingdon, Cambria and Indiana turnpike road company, and for other purposes."

Which was agreed to.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the motion as amended?

A division of the question was called for by Mr. Meredith.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to meet at 3 o'clock on Tuesday afternoon next.

It was determined in the affirmative.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the second part of the motion? viz. for the purpose of considering the bill No. 361, entitled "An act to authorise the erection of fish-dams and fish-baskets in the rivers Susquehanna and Juniata, and their branches, under certain regulations and restrictions," and the bill No. 205, entitled 'An act to enable the Governor to incorporate a company to make a turnpike road from the northern termination of the York and Conewago turnpike road to the west end of the Harrisburg bridge;' and the bill No. 45, entitled 'An act to incorporate the stockholders of the Philadelphia arcade;' and the bill No. 62, entitled 'An act to annul the marriage contract of Jacob S. Davis and Sarah Ann his wife;' and the bill No. 347, entitled 'An act to increase the number of managers in the Huntingdon, Cambria and Indiana turnpike road company, and for other purposes.'

A motion was made by Mr. Meredith, to amend the same by striking therefrom the bill No. 361, entitled "An act to authorise the erection of fish dams and fish baskets in the rivers Susquehanna and Juniata and their branches, under certain regulations and restrictions;" and the bill No. 205, entitled 'An act to enable the Governor to incorporate a company to make a turnpike road from the northern termination of the York and Conewago turnpike road to the west end of the Harrisburg bridge;' and the bill No. 45, entitled 'An act to incorporate the stockholders of the Philadelphia arcade;' and the bill No. 62, entitled 'An act to annul the marriage contract of Jacob S. Davis and Sarah Ann his wife;' and the bill No. 347, entitled 'An act to increase the number of managers in the Huntingdon, Cambria and Indiana turnpike road company, and for other purposes," and inserting in lieu thereof "private bills."

Which was agreed to.

And the second part of the motion as amended was agreed to.

Mr. Cunningham obtained leave to withdraw the petition and documents of Hugh Means.

Mr. Harrison, from the committee of ways and means, made a report, (No. 249,) on the state of the finances.

Which was read and

Laid on the table.

A motion was made by Mr. Farrell, that one thousand copies of the said report be printed for the use of the members.

The motion being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. M'Reynolds, to amend the same by striking therefrom "one thousand," and inserting in lieu thereof "the usual number of".

And on the question,

Will the House agree so to amend?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Tutwiler and Mr. James, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Alter	Mr. James	Mr. J. Miller
Becker	Kennedy	Nicholson
Bell, Leb.	Krepps	F. Smith
Bonner	Lauman	J. Stevens
Cooper	M'Reynolds	Tutwiler
Dillinger	M'Sherry	Walker
Dunlap	Mathews, Cam.	Whitlatch
Hetrick	G. Miller	Wolfersberger
Irwin	H. Miller	Wolford

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NAYS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. Ellis	Mr. Mathewson
Atkinson	Fackenthall	Meredith
Aughinbaugh	Farrell	R. Miller
Barber	W. Forster	Overholzer
Beatty	W. B. Foster	Patterson
G. Bell	Gebhart	Pearson
Bell, West.	Good	Pennypacker
Bertolet	Haines	Rahn
Binder	Harrison	Ramsey
Blair	Hergesheimer	Rankin
Bonsall	Hottenstein	Ringland
Boyd	Ihrle	Scudder
Boyer	Kerr	Shannon
Brown, Allegh.	Knight	J. R. C. Smith
Brown, Lan.	Lawson	Snyder
Burden	Lehman	P. Stephens
Buyers	M'Bride	Thomas
Cope	M'Clure	Thompson
Cummin	M'Creery	Wilson
Cunningham	M'Ewen	Wise
Denny	Madden	Woolverton
Dorrance	Martin	Ritner, Sp'r.
Duncan	Matheys, Mont.	

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So the question was determined in the negative.

And the motion was agreed to.

Mr. Harrison, from the committee of ways and means, reported a bill, No. 487, entitled "An act authorising a loan for the further prosecution of the Pennsylvania canal, and for other purposes."

Which bill was read, and made the order of the day for Saturday the 10th inst.

Mr. Irwin, from the committee appointed to inquire into the official misconduct of Samuel D. Franks, Esq. president judge of the 12th judicial district of this commonwealth, made a report, (No. 250,) accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to draft an address to the Governor, for the removal of Samuel D. Franks, Esq. from the office of president judge of the courts of the 12th judicial district of Pennsylvania.

Laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Meredith,

Ordered, That the usual number of copies of the said report be printed for the use of the members.

The bills entitled as follow were severally read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered To be transcribed for the third reading, viz.

No. 38, "An act to authorise the Governor to incorporate a company for erecting a bridge over the river Susquehanna, near the north line of Pennsylvania, in Harmony township, Susquehanna county."

No. 52, "An act to authorise the Governor to incorporate a company to erect a bridge over the north east branch of the Susquehanna river, at or near the village of Athens, in the county of Bradford."

No. 106, "A supplement to an act, entitled "An act for establishing and building a bridge across the river Lehigh at Bethlehem, in the county Northampton, passed April 3, A. D. 1792."

No. 398, "An act to incorporate the Philadelphia towing boat company."

No. 200, "An act to enable the Governor to incorporate a company for making an artificial turnpike road from the Delaware state line, on the road leading from Wilmington, Delaware, through Chester and Darby in Delaware county, to the city of Philadelphia, so as to intersect the Philadelphia, Brandywine and New London turnpike road."

The bill No. 230, entitled "A supplement to the act entitled An act authorising the Governor to incorporate the Susquehanna and Lehigh canal company," was read the second time.

When a motion was made by Mr. Dillinger, that the said bill be re-committed to a committee of the whole House, for the purpose of amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Whereupon,

The House again resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. G. Miller in the chair, on the said bill.

And after some time,
The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

Leave was granted. And

Ordered, That the committee of the whole sit again on this afternoon.

On leave given,

A motion was made by Mr. Beatty, that this House will, tomorrow at 11 o'clock, proceed to the consideration of the bill No. 451, entitled "An act to provide for the further extension of the Pennsylvania canal."

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Nicholson and Mr. Dillinger, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Harrison	Mr. Overholzer
Beatty	Hergesheimer	Patterson
G. Bell	Ihrle	Pearson
Bell, Leb.	James	Pennypacker
Bell, West.	Kennedy	Petrikín
Bertolet	Kerr	Ramsey
Binder	Knight	Rankin
Blair	Lauman	Ringland
Bonsall	Lawson	Scudder
Brown, Allegh.	Lehman	Shannon
Cummin	M'Clure	J. R. C. Smith
Cunningham	M'Creery	Snyder
Denny	M'Ewen	J. Stevens
Dorrance	M'Reynolds	Thomas
Duncan	Madden	Thompson
Eldred	Martin	Tutwiler
Ellis	Mathews, Cam.	Whitlatch
Farrell	Mathewson	Wilson
W. Forster	Meredith	Wise
W. B. Foster	J. Miller	Woolverton
Gebhart	R. Miller	Ritner, Sp'r.
Haines		

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NAYS.

Mr. Alter	Mr. Cooper	Mr. Krepps
Aughinbaugh	Dillinger	M'Sherry
Barber	Dunlap	Matheys, Mont.
Becker	Fackenthal	G. Miller
Bonner	Good	H. Miller
Boyer	Hetrick	Nicholson
Brown, Lan.	Hottenstein	F. Smith
Buyers	Irwin	Wolford

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So the question was determined in the affirmative.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, presented for concurrence the bills entitled as follow, viz.

No. 488, "A supplement to the act, entitled An act authorising a review of certain state roads."

No. 489, "An act for the relief of the creditors of the Pittsburg and Butler turnpike road."

No. 490, "An act authorising the Dauphin and Susquehanna coal company to make Stoney creek, in Dauphin county, a slack water navigation; and supplementary to an act, entitled An act to incorporate the Dauphin and Susquehanna coal company, passed April 5, 1826."

Which bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

And gave information,

That the Senate have concurred in the first, and non-concurred in the remaining amendments by the House of Representatives to the bill from the Senate, No. 241, entitled "A supplement to the act entitled An act to erect the town of Chester and its vicinity, in the county of Delaware, into a borough, and for other purposes therein mentioned."

On motion of Mr. Alter,

Ordered, That Messrs. Alter, M'Clure, Overholzer, Martin and Blair, be a committee to confer with a committee of the Senate on the said amendments, and that the Clerk inform the Senate of the same.

Adjourned until 3 o'clock this afternoon.

SAME DAY.

Agreeably to leave given,

The House again resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. G. Miller in the chair, on the bill No. 230, entitled "A supplement to the act, entitled "An act authorising the Governor to incorporate the Susquehanna and Lehigh canal company."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with amendments.

The bill being again before the House,

A motion was made by Mr. Eldred, that the bill be re-committed to a select committee to be composed of the chairmen of the several committees who reported the bills, with instructions to report several bills.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

A motion was made by Mr. Wise, to postpone the question, together with the bill, indefinitely.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the indefinite postponement?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Wise and Mr. Pearson, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Binder	Mr. Kerr	Mr. R. Miller
Bonsall	Knight	Pearson
Boyd	Lauman	Pennypacker
Brown, Allegh.	M'Creery	Ramsey
Fackenthall	M'Reynolds	Ringland
Haines	M'Sherry	J. R. C. Smith
Harrison	Martin	Thompson
Hergesheimer	Meredith	Wise
Hottenstein		

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NAYS.

Mr. Alter	Mr. Ellis	Mr. G. Miller
Aughinbaugh	Farrell	H. Miller
Barber	W. Forster	J. Miller
Beatty	W. B. Foster	Nicholson
Becker	Gebhart	Overholzer
G. Bell	Good	Patterson
Bell, Leb.	Hetrick	Petrikia
Bell, West.	Ihrig	Rankin
Bertolet	Irwin	Scudder
Bonner	James	F. Smith
Boyer	Kennedy	Snyder
Brown, Lan.	Krepps	J. Stevens
Cooper	Lawson	Thomas
Cope	M'Bride	Tutwiler
Cummin	M'Clure	Whitlatch
Denny	M'Ewen	Wilson
Dillinger	Madden	Wolfsberger
Dorrance	Mathews, Cam.	Wolford
Dunlap	Matheys, Mont.	Woolverton
Eldred	Mathewson	Ritner, Sp'r.

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So the question was determined in the negative.

A motion was then made by Mr. Irwin to amend the motion to re-commit the bill by adding thereto "with amendments, if they think proper."

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

A motion was made by Mr. Lawson to postpone the question, together with the bill, until the first Monday of April next.

And on the question,

Will the House agree so to postpone?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Farrell and Mr. Bertolet, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Beatty	Mr. Good	Mr. R. Miller
Becker	Harrison	Patterson
Bell, Leb.	Hergesheimer	Pearson
Binder	Hottenstein	Pennypacker
Boyd	James	Ramsey
Boyer	Kerr	Rankin
Brown, Allegh.	Knight	Ringland
Buyers	Lauman	J. R. C. Smith
Cunningham	Lawson	Snyder
Denny	M'Clure	Thompson
Dorrance	M'Creery	Wilson
Fackenthall	M'Reynolds	Wise
W. Forster	M'Sherry	Wolfersberger
W. B. Foster	Meredith	41

NAYS.

Mr. Alter	Mr. Eldred	Mr. G. Miller
Aughinbaugh	Ellis	H. Miller
Barber	Farrell	J. Miller
G. Bell	Gebhart	Nicholson
Bell, West.	Hetrick	Overholzer
Bertolet	Ihrie	Petrikina
Bonner	Irwin	F. Smith
Brown, Lan.	Kennedy	J. Stevens
Burden	Krepps	Thomas
Cooper	M'Bride	Tutwiler
Cummin	Madden	Whitlatch
Dillinger	Mathews, Cam.	Wolford
Duncan	Matheys, Mont.	Woolverton
Dunlap	Mathewson	Ritner, Sp'r. 42

So the question was determined in the negative.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment ?

A motion was made by Mr. Denny to postpone the question, together with the bill, until this day week.

Which was agreed to.

Adjourned until 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

THURSDAY, March 8, 1827.

The Secretary of the Commonwealth being introduced, presented a message (No. 251,) from the Governor, accompanied with a report, (No. 252,) of the engineer appointed to make a survey of the river Susquehanna.

Which were read, and

Laid on the table.

A motion was made by Mr. F. Smith, that the usual number of copies of the said report be printed for the use of the members.

The motion being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Ellis, to amend the same by striking therefrom "usual number," and inserting in lieu thereof "five hundred."

Which was agreed to.

And the motion as amended was agreed to.

The Speaker laid before the house the proceedings of a public meeting of citizens of Huntingdon county, approving of the report of the canal commissioners.

Mr. Irwin presented the proceedings of a public meeting of citizens of Fayette county, held at Connellsville, against the further prosecution of the Pennsylvania canal.

Mr. Scudder presented the proceedings of a public meeting of citizens of Northumberland county, favorable to the further construction of the Pennsylvania canal.

Mr. Atkinson presented the proceedings of a convention of delegates from several counties, held at the town of Mercer, favorable to the extension of the Pennsylvania canal to the waters of Lake Erie.

Mr. Madden presented the proceedings of a meeting of citizens of Union county, held at Selinsgrove, favorable to the further extension of the Pennsylvania canal.

And the said proceedings were read, and

Laid on the table.

Mr. Snyder presented a petition from the Southwark Bank, in the county of Philadelphia, praying for certain alterations in their act of incorporation.

Mr. Kennedy presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Northampton county, praying for a division of the said county.

Mr. Haines presented three petitions from sundry stockholders of the Bank of Chester county, praying for certain alterations in their act of incorporation.

Mr. Scudder presented the memorial of a committee appointed by a meeting of citizens of Northumberland county, praying for

an appropriation in aid of improving the road from Sunbury to Rodgers' ferry.

Mr. Cope presented three petitions from sundry inhabitants of Montgomery county, praying for an appropriation in aid of erecting a bridge over the river Schuylkill at Norristown.

Mr. J. Stevens presented three petitions of like import with the foregoing.

And the said petitions and memorial were

Laid on the table.

Mr. Fackenthall presented three petitions from sundry inhabitants of Bucks county, praying for the repeal of the act relative to collateral inheritances.

Which were referred to the committee of ways and means.

Mr. Cunningham presented the petition of Hugh Means, of Mercer county, accompanied with documents, stating his services in the revolutionary war, and praying relief.

Mr. Ellis presented the petition of Moses Van Campen, of the state of New York, accompanied with documents, stating his services in the revolutionary war, and praying relief.

Mr. Boyer presented the petition of Margaret Græff, of Berks county, accompanied with documents, praying compensation for a tract of donation land, for the services of her late husband, Frederick Græff, in the revolutionary war.

And the said petitions and documents were referred to the committee on claims.

Mr. Cunningham presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Mercer county, praying that the compensation of collectors of county rates and levies may be increased.

Which was referred to Messrs Cunningham, Woolverton and Bell of Lebanon.

Mr. Cunningham presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Mercer county, praying for an appropriation in aid of making the Roseburg and Mercer turnpike road.

Which was referred to the committee on inland navigation and internal improvement.

Mr. J. Stevens presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Moorland and Horsham townships, Montgomery county, against changing the place of holding their general elections.

Which was referred to the committee on election districts.

Mr. Buyers presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Lancaster county, praying that the said county may be separated from the city of Lancaster for certain purposes.

Which was referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

A motion was made by Mr. Madden and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That the board of canal commissioners shall, (previous to the location of a canal from the junction of the north and west branches of the river Susquehanna up the west branch of the same to the Bald Eagle creek,) appoint skilful engineers to make a survey and level thereof, on the west side of said river, and compare the relative advantages as to ease of con-

struction, value of private property injured, shortness of distance, supply of water, accommodation of the neighboring counties, and the state generally, and report the same to said board.

Laid on the table.

A motion was made by Mr. Irwin, that the usual number of copies of the abstract of the testimony taken before the committee appointed to inquire into the conduct of judge Franks, be printed for the use of the members.

The motion being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Meredith, to amend the same by striking therefrom "abstract," and inserting in lieu thereof "minutes."

Which was agreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Irwin, further to amend the motion by adding thereto, "and that a committee be appointed to prepare an index to the minutes of the testimony."

The amendment being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Meredith, to amend the same by striking therefrom, "a committee be appointed to prepare," and inserting in lieu thereof, "the clerk be authorised to cause to be prepared."

Which was agreed to.

And the amendment as amended was agreed to.

And on the question,

Will the house agree to the motion as amended?

A motion was made by Mr. Meredith, to postpone the question, together with the motion until to-morrow.

Which was agreed to.

Agreeably to the order of the day,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Binder in the chair, on the bill,

No. 451, entitled "An act to provide for the further extension of the Pennsylvania canal."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

Leave was granted. And

Ordered, That the committee of the whole sit again on to-morrow morning at 11 o'clock.

On leave given,

Mr. Lawson, from the committee to whom was committed the bill from the Senate,

No. 280, entitled "An act to incorporate the theological seminary of the general synod of the Evangelical Lutheran church in the United States," reported the same with amendments.

Which was read, and

Laid on the table.

Adjourned until 3 o'clock this afternoon.

SAME DAY.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Bell of Westmoreland in the chair, on the bill,

No. 810, entitled "A further supplement to the act, entitled An act to authorise the Governor to incorporate a company for erecting a bridge over the river Susquehanna, at the town of Danville."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with one amendment.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Bonsall in the chair, on the bill,

No. 68, entitled "An act to provide for the settlement of the concerns of the Farmers' and Mechanics' Bank of Greencastle."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the first section of the bill negatived.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the report of the committee of the whole?

A motion was made by Mr. Bonner, to postpone the question, together with the bill, for the present.

Which was agreed to.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Fackenthall in the chair, on the bill,

No. 223, entitled "An act to lay out and improve a road on the east side of the Susquehanna river, from the borough of Sunbury through Georgetown to Rodgers' ferry."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with amendments.

Adjourned until 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

FRIDAY, March 9, 1827.

The Speaker laid before the House a letter, (No. 253.) from a committee of the citizens of Baltimore, accompanied with a copy (No. 254.) of an act of the Legislature of Maryland, to incorporate the Pennsylvania and Maryland canal company.

Which were read, and referred to the committee on inland navigation and internal improvement.

Mr. Krepps presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Fayette county, against the further construction of the Pennsylvania canal.

Mr. Matheys of Montgomery presented three petitions from sundry inhabitants of Montgomery county, praying for an appropriation in aid of the erection of a bridge over the river Schuylkill at Norristown.

Mr. J. Stevens presented three petitions of like import with the foregoing.

Mr. M'Sherry presented the petition of John K. Sappington, of Lancaster county, praying that he may be authorised to pay a proportionate part of the money due to the state on a certain tract of land, in discharge of the commonwealth's lien on that part of the said tract held by him.

Mr. Harrison presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Bucks county, praying that the bill to incorporate the Union Academy of Doylestown may be passed with certain alterations.

And the said petitions and remonstrance, were

Laid on the table.

Mr. Boyer presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Douglass township, Berks county, praying that the trustees of a certain public school in the said township, may be authorised to sell and convey certain real estate.

Which was referred to Messrs. Boyer, Meredith and Denny.

Mr. P. Stephens presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Luzerne county, accompanied with documents, praying for the removal from office of Alexander C. Phelps, a justice of the peace of Susquehanna county,

Which were referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

On motion of Mr. Meredith, the House resumed the motion relative to the printing of testimony taken before the committee appointed to inquire into the conduct of Judge Franks.

And the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the motion as amended?

It was determined in the affirmative.

A motion was made by Mr. Snyder, that this House will meet on Thursday afternoon next, at 3 o'clock, for the purpose of considering the bills entitled as follow, viz.

No. 434, entitled "An act to annul the trust of certain public landings and wharves in the Northern Liberties, Philadelphia county, vested in the commissioners of the incorporated district of the Northern Liberties, and for other purposes."

No. 268, entitled "An act appropriating a sum of money for the erection of a bridge over the river Schuylkill, near Hamburg, in the county of Berks."

No. 389, entitled "A further supplement to an act, entitled An act to authorise the Governor to incorporate a company to make a lock navigation on the river Schuylkill."

No. 75, entitled "An act incorporating the Lancaster county academy."

No. 52, entitled "An act to annul the marriage contract of Jacob S. Davis and Sarah Ann his wife."

No. 397, entitled "An act to provide for the education of children at the public expense, in and near the borough of Harrisburg."

No. 181, entitled "An act authorising the Governor to subscribe to the stock of the Susquehanna and Tioga turnpike road company."

No. 258, entitled "An act for the relief of the Chambersburg academy."

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

A division of the question was called for by Mr. Meredith.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to meet on Thursday afternoon next, at 3 o'clock?

It was determined in the affirmative.

A motion was then made by Mr. Binder, to amend the second part of the motion by striking therefrom the bill No. 434, entitled "An act to annul the trust of certain public landings and wharves in the Northern Liberties, Philadelphia county, vested in the commissioners of the incorporated district of the Northern Liberties, and for other purposes."

Which was disagreed to.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the second part of the motion?

It was determined in the negative.

Mr. Agnew obtained leave of absence for a few days.

Mr. M^rReynolds obtained leave to withdraw the petition of Jonathan Lodge.

Mr. J. R. C. Smith, from the committee on domestic manufactures, reported a bill,

No. 491, entitled "An an act to incorporate the Milton manufacturing woolen and hempen company."

Mr. Ihrie, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 7th

instant, a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill.

No. 492, entitled "An act for raising, by way of lottery, the sum of twelve thousand dollars, for defraying the expense of purchasing and laying iron pipes for introducing water into the borough of Easton."

Which bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

Mr. Woolverton, from the committee to whom were referred sundry petitions on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 493, entitled "A supplement to an act, entitled An act for the relief of the poor, passed the 9th day of March, 1771."

Which bill was read and made the order of the day for Friday the 16th instant.

Mr. M'Creery, from the committee on claims, made a report, (No. 255,) relative to the claim of Robert Hunter and Ann his wife, accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That the committee be instructed to bring in a bill granting to the petitioners two hundred and nine dollars, in full of a pension to which Ann Sloan was entitled under the act of 1790. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

The bills entitled as follow, were severally read the third time and passed, viz.

No. 52, "An act to authorise the Governor to incorporate a company, to erect a bridge over the north east branch of the Susquehanna river, at or near the village of Athens, in the county of Bradford."

No. 106, "A supplement to an act, entitled An act for establishing and building a bridge across the river Lehigh at Bethlehem, in the county of Northampton, passed April 3, A. D. 1792."

No. 38, "An act to authorise the Governor to incorporate a company for erecting a bridge over the river Susquehanna, near the north line of Pennsylvania, in Harmony township, Susquehanna county."

No. 398, "An act to incorporate the Philadelphia towing-boat company."

No. 200, "An act to enable the Governor to incorporate a company for making an artificial turnpike road from the Delaware state line, on the road leading from Wilmington, Delaware, through Chester and Darby, in Delaware county, to the city of Philadelphia, so as to intersect the Philadelphia, Brandywine and New London turnpike road. And

Ordered, That the Clerk present the said bills to the Senate for concurrence.

The bills entitled as follow were severally read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered to be transcribed for the third reading.

No. 324, "A supplement to the act, entitled An act authorising the executors of Robert Brooke and others, to sell and convey certain real estate."

No. 429, "An act to authorise the trustees of the Methodist meeting house, in Germantown, in the county of Philadelphia, to dispose of the same."

No. 419, "An act authorising John Hunter, of the county of Delaware, to sell and convey certain real estate."

No. 69, "An act authorising James Watson, to sell and convey a tract of land in Bedford county, of which Samuel Moore died seized."

No. 449, "An act supplementary to an act authorising the executors of James Anderson, deceased, to sell certain real estate of the testator, passed 11th April, 1825."

No. 170, "An act authorising the administrators of Henry Hurst, to sell and convey real estate."

No. 290, "An act to authorise the trustees of Athens township, in Bradford county, to convey certain lands."

No. 417, "An act authorising the guardian of the minor children of John E. Latta, to sell and convey certain real estate."

No. 91, "An act vesting certain powers in the administrators of the estate of James Elliott, dec'd."

No. 404, "An act to enable the guardians of the minor children of Thomas J. Paschall and Mary H. Morris to sell and lease, on improvement, certain land in Schuylkill county."

No. 71, "A supplement to the act, entitled An act to provide for the erection of a house of employment and support of the poor, in and for the county of Berks, and for other purposes."

The bill No. 286, entitled "An act to authorise Philip J. King, of York, to sell a certain house and lot of ground, situate in the borough of York, and to execute a title for the same, was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered to be transcribed for the third reading.

The title being amended by adding thereto, "And to enable Benjamin Moser and Christian Moser, administrators of Doctor John Moser, dec'd. to convey certain real estate."

Agreeably to leave given,

The House again resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Binder in the chair, on the bill No. 451, entitled "An act to provide for the further extension of the Pennsylvania canal."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

Leave was granted, And

Ordered, That the committee of the whole sit again on tomorrow morning, at half past 10 o'clock.

On motion of Mr. M'Creery,
Ordered, That when this House adjourns, it will adjourn to meet again at 4 o'clock, this afternoon.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, presented an extract from their journal, which was read as follows, viz :

IN THE SENATE,

March 9, 1827.

On motion,

Ordered, That Messrs. Kerlin, Allshouse, Mann, Ogle and Herbert be a committee to confer with a similar committee from the House of Representatives, already appointed, on the the subject of the amendments by the House of Representatives, non-concurred in by the Senate, to the bill No. 241, entitled "A supplement to the act, entitled An act to erect the town of Chester and its vicinity, in the county of Delaware, into a borough, and for other purposes therein mentioned."

Laid on the table.

Adjourned until 4 o'clock this afternoon.

SAME DAY.

The bill No. 510, entitled "A further supplement to the act entitled An act to authorise the Governor to incorporate a company for erecting a bridge over the river Susquehanna, at the town of Danville, was read the second time.

And the first section was considered and agreed to.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the second section?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Harrison and Mr. G. Miller, and are as follow, viz :

YEAS.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Farrell	Mr. J. Miller
Barber	W. Forster	Overhölzer
Beatty	Good	Patterson
G. Bell	Hottenstein	Scudder
Bell, Leb.	Ihrie	Shannon
Bell, West.	Irwin	Snyder
Bonner	Kennedy	P. Stephens
Boyer	Krepps	J. Stevens
Brown, Allegh.	M'Bride	Thomas
Brown, Lan.	M'Clure	Tutwiler
Buyers	M'Ewen	Walker
Cope	M'Reynolds	Wolfsberger
Cummin	Madden	Woolverton
Dorrance	Matheys, Mont.	Ritner, Sp'r.
Dunlap	Mathewson	

YEAS.

Mr. Alter	Mr. Hetrick	Mr. R. Miller
Aughinbaugh	James	Nicholson
Becker	Kerr	Pennypacker
Bertolet	Lauman	Ramsey
Binder	Lawson	Rankin
Boyd	M'Creery	Ringland
Fackenthall	M'Sherry	Thompson
Gebhart	Mathews, Cam.	Whitlatch
Haines	Meredith	Wise
Harrison	G. Miller	Wolford 30

So the question was determined in the affirmative.

The title was considered and agreed to. And

Ordered, That the bill be transcribed for the third reading.

The bill No. 223, entitled "An act to lay out and improve a road on the east side of the Susquehanna river, from the borough of Sunbury, through Georgetown, to Rodgers' ferry," was read the second time.

And the first section being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Farrell, to amend the same, by striking from the fourth line "five thousand," and inserting in lieu thereof, "five hundred."

Which was disagreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. M'Reynolds, to amend the section by striking from the fourth line "five thousand," and inserting in lieu thereof, "four thousand."

Which was agreed to.

* And on the question,

Will the House agree to the first section as amended?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Wise and Mr. James, and are as follow, viz:

YEAS.

Mr. Alter	Mr. Dorrance	Mr. J. Miller
Aughinbaugh	Dunlap	Overholzer
Barber	Good	Patterson
Beatty	Hottenstein	Rankin
G. Bell	Ihrle	Scudder
Bertolet	Irwin	Shannon
Bonner	Krepps	F. Smith
Boyer	Lauman	Snyder
Brown, Lan.	M'Bride	P. Stephens
Buyers	M'Ewen	Thomas
Cooper	M'Reynolds	Tutwiler
Cope	Madden	Walker
Cummin	Mathewson	Ritner, Sp'r.
Denny		

NAYS.

Mr. Becker	Mr. Hetrick	Mr. Pearson
Bell, West.	James	Pennypacker
Binder	Kennedy	Ramsey
Bonsall	Kerr	Ringland
Boyd	Knight	J. R. C. Smith
Brown, Allegh.	M'Creery	Thompson
Fackenthall	M'Sherry	Whitlatch
Farrell	Mathews, Cam.	Wilson
W. Forster	Meredith	Wise
Gebhart	G. Miller	Wolfsberger
Haines	R. Miller	Wolford
Harrison	Nicholson	35

So the question was determined in the affirmative.

The 2d, 3d, 4th and 5th sections were severally considered and agreed to.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the 6th section?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Harrison and Mr. Bonsall, and are as follow, viz :

YEAS.

Mr. Alter	Mr. Hottenstein	Mr. Scudder
Aughinbaugh	Ihrle	Shannon
Barber	Irwin	F. Smith
G. Bell	Kreppe	Snyder
Bell, Leb.	Lauman	P. Stephens
Boyer	M'Bride	Thomas
Brown, Lan.	M'Reynolds	Tutwiler
Buyers	Madden	Walker
Cooper	Mathewson	Wolfsberger
Dorrance	J. Miller	Woolverton
Dunlap	Overholzer	Ritner, Sp'r.
Good		34

NAYS.

Mr. Beatty	Mr. Gebhart	Mr. R. Miller
Becker	Haines	Nicholson
Bell, West.	Harrison	Pearson
Bertolet	Hetrick	Pennypacker
Binder	Kennedy	Ramsey
Bonsall	Kerr	Rankin
Boyd	Knight	Ringland
Brown, Allegh.	M'Ewen	J. Stevens
Cope	M'Sherry	Thompson
Denny	Mathews, Cam.	Wilson
Fackenthall	Meredith	Wise
Farrell	G. Miller	Wolford
W. Forster		37

So the question was determined in the negative.

The 7th and 8th sections were severally considered and disagreed to.

The 9th section being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Krepps, to amend the same by striking from the 11th line "eight hundred and thirty five," and inserting in lieu thereof, "four hundred and seventeen."

Which was agreed to.

And the section as amended was agreed to.

The 10th section was considered and agreed to.

The title was considered and agreed to, being amended by adding thereto, "and for other purposes."

And on the question,

Shall the bill be transcribed for the third reading?

A motion was made by Mr. J. Miller, to postpone the question, together with the bill, for the present.

Which was agreed to.

Adjourned until 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.



SATURDAY, March 10, 1827.

Mr. Meredith presented a remonstrance from sundry firemen of the city and county of Philadelphia, against the passage of a law to exempt them from the performance of militia duty.

Which was referred to the committee on the militia system.

Mr. Burden presented the petition of George Wunder, of the county of Philadelphia, accompanied with documents, stating his services in the revolutionary war, and praying relief.

Which were referred to the committee on claims.

Mr. M'Creery presented two petitions from sundry inhabitants of Washington and Allegheny counties, praying that a state road may be laid out from Ramsey's ford to the Virginia state line, in a direction to Wheeling.

Mr. Bell of Westmoreland presented a memorial from sundry inhabitants of Westmoreland county, praying that measures may be taken for the abolition of slavery in the United States.

Mr. Matts presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Northampton county, praying for an appropriation in aid of improving the road across Flint Hill.

And the said petitions and memorial were
Laid on the table.

Mr. Harrison presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Bucks county, praying for the repeal of the act relative to collateral inheritances.

Which was referred to the committee of ways and means.

Mr. M'Creery, from the committee on claims, made a report, (No. 256,) relative to the claim of Lucy Johnston, accompanied with the following resolution, viz :

Resolved, That the committee be discharged from any further consideration of the subject. And,

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

Mr. M'Creery, from the committee on claims, made a report, (No. 257,) relative to the claim of Rebecca Callahan, accompanied with the following resolution, viz :

Resolved, That the committee be discharged from any further consideration of the subject. And,

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

Mr. M'Creery, from the committee on claims, made a report, (No. 258,) relative to the claim of Robert M'Guire, accompanied with the following resolution, viz :

Resolved, That the committee be discharged from any further consideration of the subject. And,

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

Mr. Ihrie, from the committee to whom was referred a petition on the subject, made a report, (No. 259,) relative to the Delaware bridge company at Easton, accompanied with the following resolution, viz :

Resolved, That the president and managers of the company for erecting a bridge over the river Delaware, at the borough of Easton, be and they are hereby required to lay before the General Assembly of this commonwealth, on or before the second Monday of December next, an abstract of their accounts, shewing the whole of the capital expended in the prosecution of the said work, and of the income and profits arising from the tolls of said bridge, at the end of every third year from the date of the incorporation, until two years next after the bridge aforesaid was completed; together with an exact account of the costs and charges of keeping the said bridge in repair, and all other contingent costs and charges. And at the same time exhibit a like abstract of their accounts for every three years preceding every tenth year after the said bridge was completed, to the present time. And,

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

Mr. Boyer, from the committee to whom was, on yesterday,

referred a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill, No. 494, entitled "An act to authorise the trustees of a public school in Douglass township, Berks county, to sell real estate."

Which bill was read, and

Laid on the table.

The bills entitled as follow, were severally read the third time and passed, viz :

No. 236, "An act to authorise Philip J. King, of York, to sell a certain house and lot of ground, situate in the borough of York, and to execute a title for the same : and to enable Benjamin Mosser and Christian Mosser, administrators of Doct. John Mosser, deceased, to convey certain real estate."

No. 324, "A supplement to the act, entitled An act authorising the executors of Robert Brooke, and others, to sell and convey certain real estate."

No. 429, "An act to authorise the trustees of the Methodist meeting house in Germantown, in the county of Philadelphia, to dispose of the same."

No. 419, "An act authorising John Hunter, of the county of Delaware, to sell and convey certain real estate."

No. 69, "An act authorising James Watson to sell and convey a tract of land in Bedford county, of which Samuel Moore died seized."

No. 449, "An act supplementary to an act, authorising the executors of James Anderson, deceased, to sell certain real estate of the testator, passed 11th April, A. D. 1825.

No. 170, "An act authorising the administrators of Henry Hurst, to sell and convey real estate."

No. 290, "An act to authorise the trustees of Athens township, in Bradford county, to convey certain lands."

No. 417, "An act authorising the guardian of the minor children of John E. Latta, to sell and convey certain real estate."

No. 91, "An act vesting certain powers in the administrators of the estate of James Elliott, deceased."

No. 404, "An act to enable the guardians of the minor children of Thomas J. Paschall, and Mary H. Morris, to sell and lease on improvement, certain land in Schuylkill county."

No. 71, "A supplement to an act, to provide for the erection of a house of employment and support of the poor, in and for the county of Berks, and for other purposes." And

Ordered, That the clerk present the said bills to the Senate for concurrence.

The bill No. 310, entitled "A further supplement to the act, entitled An act to authorise the governor to incorporate a company for erecting a bridge over the river Susquehanna, at the town of Danville," was read the third time.

And on the question,

Shall the bill pass?

A motion was made by Mr. Beatty, to postpone the question, together with the bill, for the present.

Which was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Hetrick,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Matheys of Montgomery in the chair, on the bill, No. 205, entitled "An act to enable the Governor to incorporate a company to make a turnpike road from the northern termination of the York and Conewago turnpike road, to the west end of the Harrisburg bridge."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with amendments.

And on motion,

The said bill was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered to be transcribed for the third reading.

Agreeably to leave given,

The House again resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Binder in the chair, on the bill No. 451, entitled "An act to provide for the further extension of the Pennsylvania canal."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

Leave was granted, and

Ordered, That the committee of the whole sit again on Monday morning next, at ten o'clock.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, returned the resolution, No. 418, "Relative to the further distribution of the laws."

And informed,

That the Senate have passed said resolution with one amendment, in which the concurrence of the House of Representatives is requested.

The amendment by the Senate to the said resolution was read, and

Laid on the table.

Adjourned until 9 o'clock on Monday morning next.

MONDAY, March 12, 1827.

Mr. Binder presented a remonstrance from the board of commissioners of the incorporated district of the Northern Liberties, in the county of Philadelphia, against the passage of the bill, entitled "An act to annul the trust of certain public landings and wharves in the Northern Liberties, Philadelphia county, vested in the commissioners of the incorporated district of the Northern Liberties, and for other purposes."

Which was read, and

Laid on the table.

Mr. Blair presented the petition of Barbara Trees, of Huntingdon county, accompanied with documents, stating the services of her late husband, John Trees, in the revolutionary war, and praying relief.

Which were referred to the committee on claims.

A motion was made by Mr. Meredith, that the documents accompanying the report of the committee in the case of judge Franks, be printed with the minutes of the testimony.

The motion being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Ihrie, to postpone the further consideration of the same until to-morrow.

Which was disagreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Irwin, to amend the motion by striking therefrom "the documents accompanying the report of the committee in the case of judge Franks, be printed with the minutes of the testimony," and inserting in lieu thereof "the order for printing the minutes of the testimony in the case of judge Franks be rescinded."

Which was disagreed to.

And the motion was agreed to.

Agreeably to leave given,

The House again resolved itself into a committee of the whole. Mr. Binder in the chair, on the bill No. 451, entitled "An act to provide for the further extension of the Pennsylvania canal."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

Leave was granted, and

Ordered, That the committee of the whole sit again on to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

On motion of Mr. M'Creery,

Ordered, That when this House adjourns it will adjourn to meet at 4 o'clock this afternoon.

Adjourned until that hour.

SAME DAY.

On leave given,

Mr. M'Creery, from the committee on claims, reported a bill, No. 495, entitled "An act for the relief of Moses Vancampen, a revolutionary soldier."

Which bill was read, and

Laid on the table.

On leave given,

A motion was made by Mr. M'Creery, that the committee on claims be discharged from the further consideration of the petition and documents of Hugh Means, and that the petitioner have leave to withdraw his petition and documents.

Which was agreed to.

Agreeably to leave given,

The House again resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Pearson in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 176, entitled "An act annexing part of Berks county to the county of Lebanon."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill without amendment.

Agreeably to the order of the day,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Cunningham in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 319, entitled "A further supplement to the act, entitled An act to re-charter certain banks."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with amendments.

On motion of Mr. Snyder,

Ordered, That the said bill be re-committed to the committee on banks, with instructions to report several bills.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Cooper in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 292, entitled "An act for the relief of James Murphy, a soldier of the revolution."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill without amendment.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Bell of Westmoreland in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 297, entitled "A supplement to the act, entitled An act to

authorise the Governor to incorporate a company to make a lock navigation on the east branch of the river Schuylkill, called the Little Schuylkill."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with one amendment.

On motion of Mr. M'Creery,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. J. Miller in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 320, entitled "An act extending the time for completing the Washington and Pittsburg turnpike road, and relative to the state's subscription to the same."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Overholzer,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Boyer in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 413, entitled "An act to authorise Samuel Humes, jr. guardian of Fidelia R. Vandyke, to sell and convey certain real estate."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with one amendment. And

On motion,

The said bill was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered to be prepared for the third reading.

The title being amended by adding thereto "and to authorise the trustees of a public school in Douglass township, Berks county, to sell certain real estate."

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Dorrance in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 298, entitled "An act authorising the Governor to incorporate the Mahonoy navigation company."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill without amendment.

Adjourned until 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

TUESDAY, March 13, 1827.

Mr. Atkinson presented sundry documents relative to the claim of Adam Owry.

Mr. Denny presented sundry documents relative to the claim of John Kirkland.

Which were referred to the committee on claims.

Mr. Thomas presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Windham township, Luzerne county, praying that the place of holding their general elections may be changed to the house of John Fassett.

Mr. McClure presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Potter county, praying that the place of holding the elections in Harrison township, may be changed to the house of Theodorus Doty, and that a part of Eulalia township may be annexed to the said district.

Mr. Eldred presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Delaware township, Pike county, praying that the place of holding their general elections may be changed to the house of Jacob Hornbeck.

Mr. Mathewson presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Litchfield township, Bradford county, praying that the place of holding their general elections may be changed to the house of Charles Kinney.

And the said petitions were referred to the committee on election districts.

Mr. Evans presented eight petitions from sundry inhabitants of Montgomery county, praying for an appropriation in aid of the erection of a bridge over the river Schuylkill, at Norristown.

Mr. Harrison presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Bucks county, praying for a division of the said county.

Mr. Buyers presented a memorial from sundry inhabitants of Lancaster county, remonstrating against the further extension of the Pennsylvania canal, and praying for the repeal of the act relative to collateral inheritances.

Mr. Harrison presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Bucks county, praying for certain alterations in the law relative to the appointment of treasurer of the said county.

Mr. Thomas presented two remonstrances from sundry inhabitants of Union township, Luzerne county, against appropriating the taxes on unseated lands in the said township, in aid of improving a certain road therein mentioned.

And the said petitions, memorial and remonstrances were
Laid on the table.

Mr. J. Miller presented three petitions from sundry inhabitants of Perry county, praying that a state road may be laid out from Landisburg to Carlisle, and for an appropriation in aid of making the said road.

Mr. Dunlap presented a petition of like import with the foregoing from sundry inhabitants of Cumberland county.

And the said petitions were referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

Mr. Buyers presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Lancaster county, praying that the said county may be separated from the city of Lancaster for certain purposes,

Which was referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

Mr. Duncan presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of the city of Philadelphia, praying for certain alterations in the militia law, so far as it respects the first brigade, first division, Pennsylvania militia.

Mr. Bonsall presented a petition from sundry firemen of the city and county of Philadelphia, praying to be exempted from the performance of militia duty in time of peace.

And the said petitions were referred to the committee on the militia system.

Mr. Irwin presented two petitions from sundry inhabitants of Fayette county, praying for an appropriation in aid of the erection of a bridge across Dunlap's creek.

Which were referred to the members from the said county.

On motion of Mr. Dillinger,

Ordered, That sundry petitions presented on the 13th ultimo, relative to annexing a part of Bucks county to Lehigh county, be referred to Messrs. Dillinger, Bell of Lebanon, Bell of Westmoreland, Walker and Gebhart.

Mr. Snyder, from the committee on banks, to whom was, on yesterday, committed the bill from the Senate,

No. 319, entitled "A further supplement to the act, entitled An act to recharter certain banks," reported the same bill, together with the bills entitled as follow, viz.

No. 85, "An act to establish a bank in the county of Lebanon."

No. 84, "An act to incorporate the Schuylkill Bank, in the county of Schuylkill."

Which bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

Mr. Kerr having been named by the Speaker to perform the duties of the chair, took the chair at 9 o'clock, and called the members to order.

A number of petitions were presented and one report was made, when Mr. Petrikin objected to Mr. Kerr's right to preside.

Whereupon, the Speaker took the chair and submitted for the decision of the house the following question, viz.

Can the Speaker, before the hour to which the House stands adjourned has arrived, under the seventh rule of this house, name a member to perform the duties of the chair, with power to call the members to order and preside over their deliberations?

The question being under consideration,
And the hour for proceeding to the consideration of the bill,
No. 451, entitled "An act for the further extension of the Pennsylvania canal," having arrived, the House again resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Binder in the chair, on the said bill.

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

Leave was granted. And

Ordered, That the committee of the whole sit again on to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

On leave given,

Mr. Rahn, from the committee of accounts, made a report (No. 260,) relative to the account of the Clerk of this House, accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That the Speaker draw his warrant on the State Treasurer in favor of Francis R. Shunk, for sixteen hundred and fifteen dollars and twenty-two cents, the amount above stated.

And on motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, returned the bill and resolution entitled as follow, viz.

No. 5, "An act authorising the Governor to incorporate the Schuylkill Valley navigation company."

No. 252, "Resolution relative to the report of the commissioners appointed to revise the penal code."*

And informed,

That the Senate have passed said bill and resolution with amendments, in which the concurrence of the House of Representatives is requested.

The amendments by the Senate to the bill No. 5, were read, considered and concurred in, with an amendment, viz. Insert in the new section after "thirteen feet," these words, "and an half." And

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate of the same.

The amendments by the Senate to the resolution, No. 252, were read, considered and non-concurred in. And

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate of the same.

On motion of Mr. Meredith,

Ordered, That when this House adjourns, it will adjourn to meet at 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

Adjourned until that hour.

WEDNESDAY, March 14, 1827.

The House proceeded to the decision of the question submitted by the chair on yesterday, relative to the construction given by the Speaker to the 7th rule of this House.

When the yeas and nays were required by Mr. Wise and Mr. Buyers, and are as follow, viz: (The Speaker, at his request, having been excused from voting.)

YEAS.

Mr. Alter	Mr. Gebhart	Mr. G. Miller
Aughinbaugh	Good	H. Miller
Barber	Haines	J. Miller
Beatty	Harrison	R. Miller
Becker	Hergesheimer	Overholzer
G. Bell	Hetrick	Pearson
Bell, Leb.	Hottenstein	Pennypacker
Bell, West.	Ihrie	Rahn
Bertolet	James	Ramsey
Binder	Kennedy	Rankin
Bonsall	Kerr	Ringland
Boyd	Knight	Scudder
Boyer	Lauman	Shannon
Brown, Allegh.	Lawson	F. Smith
Brown, Lan.	Lehman	Snyder
Burden	M'Bride	P. Stephens
Buyers	M'Clure	J. Stevens
Cooper	M'Creery	Thomas
Cope	M'Ewen	Thompson
Cummin	M'Reynolds	Tutwiler
Dillinger	M'Sherry	Walker
Dorrance	Madden	Whitlatch
Duncan	Martin	Wilson
Dunlap	Mathews, Cam.	Wise
Evans	Matheys, Mont.	Wolfersbrger
Fackenthall	Mathewson	Wolford
Farrell	Matts	Woolverton
W. Forster	Meredith	

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NAYS.

Mr. Bonner	Mr. Nicholson	Mr. J. R. C. Smith
Irwin		

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So the question was determined in the affirmative.

Mr. Haines presented a petition from the Presbyterian congregation of Fagg's manor, of Chester county, praying that the

directors of the said congregation may be substituted as trustees of certain monies now in the hands of others, for their use.

Which was referred to Messrs. Haines, J. R. C. Smith and Pearson.

Mr. Dorrance presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Dauphin county, praying for certain alterations in the construction of the eastern section of the Pennsylvania canal.

Mr. Cope presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Montgomery county, against requiring the commissioners of the said county to subscribe for stock in the Norristown bridge.

And the said petition and remonstrance were
Laid on the table.

Mr. Atkinson presented a petition from the executor of Thomas R. Kennedy, late of Crawford county, dec'd. accompanied with documents, praying for authority to sell and convey certain real estate

Which were referred to Messrs. Atkinson, J. Miller and Haines.

Mr. Wolford presented a petition from the executor of George Dollinger, late of York county, dec'd. praying for authority to sell and convey certain real estate.

Which was referred to Messrs. Wolford, Wilson and Scudder.

Mr. Ihrig presented a petition from sundry citizens of this commonwealth, praying for the construction of a canal in the valley of the Delaware river, and also that surveys may be made for a canal to connect the Susquehanna and Delaware rivers, in Northampton county.

Which was referred to the committee on inland navigation and internal improvement.

Mr. Ihrig presented two remonstrances from sundry inhabitants of Delaware township, Pike county, against changing the place of holding their general elections.

Which were referred to the committee on election districts.

Mr. J. Miller presented two petitions from sundry inhabitants of Perry county, praying that a state road may be laid out from the west end of the Harrisburg bridge to Seidle's mill; or from the state road, near the house of the widow Humes, to the public road, near the house of captain Joseph Musser.

Which were referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

On motion of Mr. Wilson,

Ordered, That the petition for a review of the state road from Johnstown to fort Littleton, presented on the 3d instant, be referred to the members from Huntingdon, Cambria and Bedford counties.

On motion of Mr. McCreery,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Gebhart in the chair, on the bill No. 495, entitled "An act for the relief of Moses Vancampen, a revolutionary soldier."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with one amendment.

Agreeably to leave given,

The House again resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Binder in the chair, on the bill No. 451, entitled "An act to provide for the further extension of the Pennsylvania canal."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

Leave was granted. And

Ordered, That the committee of the whole sit again on to-morrow morning, at 10 o'clock.

On motion of Mr. Brown of Allegheny,

Ordered, That when this House adjourns, it will adjourn to meet again on to-morrow morning, at 9 o'clock.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, returned the bill No. 237, entitled "An act for the better preservation of the records contained in the public offices of the several counties in this commonwealth."

And informed, that the Senate have passed said bill with amendments, in which the concurrence of the House of Representatives is requested.

Which amendments were read, and

Laid on the table.

And further informed, that the Senate have concurred in the amendment by the House of Representatives to the amendments by the Senate, to the bill from the House of Representatives, No. 5, entitled "An act authorising the Governor to incorporate the Schuylkill Valley navigation company."

Adjourned until 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.



THURSDAY, March 15, 1827.

The Speaker laid before the House a letter (No. 261,) from the president of the board of canal commissioners, accompanied

with a copy (No. 262) of the instructions to John Mitchell, Esq.

Which were read, and

Laid on the table.

The Speaker laid before the House a letter from the chairman and secretaries of a public meeting of citizens of Northumberland county, accompanied with a copy of the proceedings of that meeting, favorable to the further extension of the Pennsylvania canal.

Laid on the table.

Mr. Knight presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Oxford and Lower Dublin townships, Philadelphia county, praying for certain alterations in the law relative to the election of directors of the poor for said townships.

Which was referred to Messrs. Knight, Aughinbaugh and Good.

Mr. Eldred presented two petitions from sundry inhabitants of Northampton county, praying for the construction of a canal, at the expense of the state, along the valley of the Delaware river.

Mr. Matts presented two petitions from sundry inhabitants of Bucks county, praying for a division of the said county.

And the said petitions were

Laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Ihrie,

Ordered, That Monday afternoon next be appropriated to the consideration of bills from the Senate.

Mr. Overholzer, from the committee to whom was referred on the 7th instant, a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill, No. 496, entitled "A further supplement to the act, entitled A supplement to the act, entitled An act for acknowledging and recording of deeds."

Which bill was read, and

Laid on the table.

The bill No. 205, entitled "An act to enable the Governor to incorporate a company to make a turnpike road from the northern termination of the York and Conewago turnpike road, to the west end of the Harrisburg bridge," was read the third time and passed, and

Ordered, that the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

The bill from the Senate, No. 413, entitled "An act to authorise Samuel Humes, jr. guardian of Fidelia R. Vandyke, to sell and convey certain real estate," was read the third time and passed, and

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate, and request their concurrence in the amendments thereto by this House.

On motion of Mr. M'Reynolds,

The House resumed the third reading of the bill No. 510, postponed on the 10th inst. entitled "A further supplement to the act, entitled An act to authorise the Governor to incorporate

a company for erecting a bridge over the river Susquehanna, at the town of Danville."

And the question recurring,

Shall the same pass?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Harrison and Mr. Pearson, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Eldred	Mr. Patterson
Aughinbaugh	Evans	Petrikia
Barber	Farrell	Rahn
Beatty	W. Forster	Rankin
G. Bell	Good	Seudder
Bell, Leb.	Hottenstein	Shannon
Bell, West.	Ihrle	F. Smith
Bertolet	James	Snyder
Bonner	Kennedy	P. Stephens
Boyer	Lauman	Thomas
Brown, Allegh.	M'Bride	Tutwiler
Brown, Ian.	M'Clure	Walker
Cope	M'Reynolds	Wilson
Cummin	Madden	Woltersberger
Cunningham	Matheys, Mont.	Wolford
Dorrance	H. Miller	Woolverton
Duncan	J. Miller	Ritner, Sp'r.
Dunlap		

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NAYS.

Mr. Becker	Mr. Harrison	Mr. G. Miller
Binder	Hergesheimer	R. Miller
Bonsall	Hetrick	Pearson
Boyd	Kerr	Pennypacker
Buyers	Knight	Ramsey
Cooper	M'Creery	Ringland
Dillinger	M'Ewen	Thompson
Fackenthall	M'Sherry	Whitlatch
Haines	Matts	

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So the question was determined in the affirmative. And *Ordered*, That the clerk present the said bill to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. M'Creery,

The bill No. 495, entitled "An act for the relief of Moses Vancampen, a revolutionary soldier," was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered to be transcribed for the third reading.

The title being amended by striking therefrom "soldier," and inserting in lieu thereof, "officer."

On motion of Mr. M'Creery,

The rule which prohibits the reading of bills twice on the same day, being in this case dispensed with, the said bill was read the third time and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

The House resumed the second reading of the bill No. 360, postponed on the 12th inst. entitled "An act relative to the discharge of mortgages filed in the land office."

And the section and title were severally considered and agreed to. And

Ordered, That the bill be transcribed for the third reading.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, presented for concurrence the bills entitled as follow, viz.

No. 497, "An act appropriating a sum of money to the erection of a bridge over the Yellow Breeches creek."

No. 498, "An act to authorise the committee of the estate of Charles Willing Hare, to sell and convey real estate."

No. 499, "A supplement to the act, entitled An act appointing commissioners to investigate the concerns of the Northern Bank of Pennsylvania."

No. 500, "A supplement to an act, entitled An act to erect the town of Morrisville into a borough."

And the said bills were read, and.

Laid on the table.

And informed,

That the Senate have discharged the committee of conference, appointed on the subject of the amendments by the House of Representatives, non-concurred in by the Senate, to the bill No. 241, entitled "A supplement to the act, entitled An act to erect the town of Chester and its vicinity, in the county of Delaware, into a borough, and for other purposes therein mentioned."

The bill from the Senate No. 175, entitled "An act annexing part of Berks county to Lebanon county," was read the second time.

And the first section being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr Bell of Lebanon, to amend the same by striking from the 5th line "Isaac Batto's tan yard," and inserting in lieu thereof "George Guntrum."

When the hour having arrived for proceeding to the consideration of the bill No. 451, entitled "An act to provide for the further extension of the Pennsylvania canal," the House again resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Binder in the chair, on the said bill.

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

Leave was granted. And

Ordered, That the committee of the whole sit again this afternoon.

Adjourned until 3 o'clock this afternoon.

SAME DAY.

Agreeably to leave given,

The House again resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Binder in the chair, on the bill No. 451, entitled "An act to provide for the further extension of the Pennsylvania canal."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Leave was granted. And

Ordered, That the committee of the whole sit again on to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

Adjourned until 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

*FRIDAY, March 16, 1827.*

Mr. Krepps presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Luzerne township, Fayette county, praying that William Arnold may be authorised to collect a certain sum of money from the said township.

Mr. Ihrie presented five petitions from sundry inhabitants of the north-eastern part of this state, praying for the construction of a canal along the valley of the Delaware river; and that surveys may be made for connecting the Susquehanna and Delaware rivers, in Northampton county.

Mr. Kennedy presented two petitions of like import with the foregoing.

Mr. Rahn presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Schuylkill county, against the incorporation of coal companies.

And the said petitions and remonstrance were

Laid on the table.

Mr. Kerr presented sundry documents, relative to the Washington and Williamsport turnpike road company.

Which were referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

Mr. Woolverton presented a document relative to the claim of Elizabeth King.

Which was referred to the committee on claims.

Mr. Alter presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Cumberland county, praying for authority to erect a house for the employment and support of the poor of the said county.

Which was referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

Mr. Brown of Lancaster presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Manor township, Lancaster county, praying that a part of the said township may be erected into a separate election district, and the elections thereof held at the house of Christian Hess.

Which was referred to the committee on election districts.

On motion of Mr. McCreery,

Ordered, That the committee on claims be discharged from the further consideration of the petition and documents of Robert Maxwell, and that the petitioner have leave to withdraw his petition and documents.

Mr. Evans obtained leave to withdraw the petition and documents of Edward Hector.

Mr. Bonsall, from the committee appointed on the subject, made a report, (No. 263,) relative to the education of children under five years of age, accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the commonwealth of Pennsylvania, in General Assembly met, That the controllers of the public schools for the first school district of this commonwealth, be requested to consider and report to the Legislature, at their next session, a plan for the organization and support of infant schools.

Laid on the table.

Mr. Alter, from the committee appointed on the complaint against justice Gray, of Cumberland county, made a report, (No. 264,) accompanied with the following resolution, viz:

Resolved, That the committee be discharged from the further consideration of the subject. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

Mr. Atkinson, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 14th instant, a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill, No. 502, entitled "An act authorising Jane S. Reynolds, executrix, and Henry Baldwin and John Reynolds, executors of the last will and testament of Thomas R. Kennedy, late of Meadville, in the county of Crawford, and state of Pennsylvania, deceased, to sell and convey certain real estate."

Mr. Meredith, from the committee to whom was referred that item of the Governor's message, and also a petition on the

subject, on leave given, reported a bill, No. 503, entitled "A supplement to an act, entitled An act to try the validity of the charter of the Harrisburg canal, fire insurance and water company, passed 5th April, 1826."

Mr. Wolford, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 14th instant, a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill, No. 504, entitled "An act to authorise and empower Jacob Larrew, surviving executor of the last will and testament of George Dollinger, deceased, to sell and convey certain real estate."

Which bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. M'Sherry,

The house resumed the consideration of the bill No. 68, postponed on the 8th instant, entitled "An act to provide for the settlement of the concerns of the Farmer's and Mechanic's Bank of Greencastle."

And the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the report of the committee of the whole?

It was determined in the negative.

A motion was then made by Mr. M'Sherry, to postpone the further consideration of the bill until to-morrow.

Which was agreed to.

The bill No. 360, entitled "An act relative to the discharge of mortgages filed in the Land Office," was read the third time and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, presented for concurrence the resolution No. 505, relative to the services of Governor Carroll during the late war.

Which was read, and

Laid on the table.

And informed, that the Senate non-concur in the amendments by the House of Representatives, to the bill from the Senate, No. 413, entitled "An act to authorise Samuel Humes, Jr. guardian of Fidelia R. Vandyke, to sell and convey certain real estate."

And further informed, that the Senate insist in their amendment, non-concurred in by the House of Representatives, to the resolution from the House of Representatives, No. 252, relative to the report of the commissioners appointed to revise the penal code.

On motion of Mr. Brown of Allegheny,

The House receded from their non-concurrence in the amendment to the said resolution. And

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate of the same.

On motion of Mr. Meredith,

The House proceeded to the consideration of the amendments by the Senate, to the bill No. 237, entitled "An act for

the better preservation of the records contained in the public offices of the several counties of this commonwealth."

When a motion was made by Mr. Meredith, to amend the first amendment, by striking therefrom, "besides the dockets usually kept in their several offices."

Which was agreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Blair, to postpone the further consideration of the amendments for the present.

Which was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Brown of Allegheny,

The amendment by the Senate to the resolution No. 418, relative to the further distribution of the laws, was read, considered and concurred in. And

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate of the same.

The House resumed the second reading of the bill from the Senate, No. 175, entitled "An act annexing part of Berks county to the county of Lebanon."

When a motion was made by Mr. Rahn, to postpone the further consideration of the same until to-morrow.

Which was agreed to.

Agreeably to leave given,

The House again resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Binder in the chair, on the bill No. 451, entitled "An act to provide for the further extension of the Pennsylvania canal."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with amendments.

On motion of Mr. Lehman,

Ordered, That the House will proceed to the second reading of the said bill to-morrow morning, at 10 o'clock.

Adjourned until 3 o'clock this afternoon.

SAME DAY.

A quorum not being present,

A motion was made that the House adjourn.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Denny and Mr. Krepps, and are as follow, viz:

YEAS.

Mr. Binder
Brown, Allegh.
Cunningham

Mr. Harrison
M'Creery
Martin

Thomas
Ritner, Sp'r.

NAYS.

Mr. Alter	Mr. Gebhart	Mr. J. Miller
Barber	Haines	R. Miller
Beatty	Ihrle	Pennypacker
Becker	Kennedy	Rankin
Bell, Leb.	Kerr	Ringland
Bell, West.	Krepps	Shannon
Cope	Lawson	F. Smith
Cummin	M'Bride	Thompson
Denny	M'Reynolds	Wilson
Duncan	M'Sherry	Woltersberger
Farrell	Madden	Wulford
W. Forster	Mathews, Cam.	

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So the question was determined in the negative.

A quorum being present,

On motion of Mr. Brown of Allegheny,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Martin in the chair, on the resolution from the Senate, No. 505, relative to the services of Governor Carroll during the late war.

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the resolution with amendments. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time.

When a motion was made by Mr. Cunningham, that the same be committed to a select committee.

Which was agreed to. And

Ordered, That Messrs. Cunningham, Bonsall and Denny be of the committee.

The bill from the Senate, No. 292, entitled "An act for the relief of James Murphy, a soldier of the revolution," was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered, 'To be prepared for the third reading.

The bill from the Senate, No. 297, entitled "A supplement to the act, entitled An act to authorise the Governor to incorporate a company to make a lock navigation on the east branch of the river Schuylkill, called the Little Schuylkill," was read the second time, considered and agreed to, and

Ordered, 'To be prepared for the third reading.

On motion of Mr. Boyer, the rule which prohibits the reading of bills twice on the same day being in this case dispensed with, the said bill was read the third time and passed. And

Ordered, That the clerk return the same to the Senate.

The bill from the Senate, No. 320, entitled "An act extending the time for completing the Washington and Pittsburg turnpike road, and relative to the state's subscription to the same," was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered, 'To be prepared for the third reading.

The bill from the Senate, No. 298, entitled "An act authorising the Governor to incorporate the Mahanoy navigation company," was read the second time.

And the sections to the 22d inclusive, were severally considered and agreed to.

The 23d section being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Lehman, to amend the same by striking therefrom "five," and inserting in lieu thereof "three."

Which was agreed to.

And the section as amended was agreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Scudder, to amend the bill by adding thereto the following new section, viz.

Section 24. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That Lewis Dewart, Henry Masser, Edward Gobin, Samuel J. Packer, Isaac Ziegler, Peter Weimer and Gideon Markle, of the borough of Sunbury, and William A. Lloyd and John Cowden, of the town of Northumberland, and Caleb Fisher of Shamokin township, and Henry W. Snyder and John Baskin of the town of Selinsgrove, or any two of them, be, and they are hereby appointed commissioners, who shall, on or before the first day in October next, procure a book or books, which shall be opened at some convenient place in the borough of Sunbury, and therein enter as follows, "We whose names are hereunto subscribed, do promise to pay to the president and managers of the Shamokin canal company, the sum of fifty dollars for every share of stock set opposite to our respective names, in such manner and proportions, and at such times as shall be determined by the president and managers of the said company, in pursuance of an act of the general assembly of this commonwealth, entitled 'An act authorising the Governor to incorporate the Shamokin canal company.' Witness our hands this day of in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ." And the said Shamokin canal company, shall, in all respects, enjoy the same privileges, and be governed by the same provisions and regulations as are contained in the preceding sections of this act, incorporating the Mahanoy navigation company.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the new section?

It was determined in the affirmative.

The title was considered and agreed to, being amended by inserting 'Shamokin' after 'Mahanoy.' And

Ordered, That the bill be prepared for the third reading.

The bill from the Senate, No. 319, entitled "A further supplement to the act, entitled An act to re-charter certain banks," was read a second time.

When a motion was made by Mr. Krepps, that the same be re-committed to a select committee.

Which was disagreed to.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the first section?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Petrikin and Mr. Bertolet, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. W. Forster	Mr. Meredith
Aughinbaugh	W. B. Foster	G. Miller
Barber	Gebhart	R. Miller
Beatty	Good	Overholzer
Bell, Leb.	Haines	Patterson
Bell, West.	Harrison	Pearson
Bertolet	Hergesheimer	Pennypacker
Binder	Hottenstein	Ramsey
Bonsall	Ihrie	Rankin
Boyd	Kennedy	Ringland
Brown, Lan.	Lauman	Shannon
Cope	Lawson	Snyder
Cummin	Lehman	P. Stephens
Cunningham	M'Bride	J. Stevens
Denny	M'Clure	Thomas
Dillinger	M'Creery	Thompson
Dorrance	M'Reynolds	Wilson
Duncan	M'Sherry	Woolverton
Eldred	Martin	Ritner, Sp'r.
Evans	Matts	

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NAYS.

Mr. Alter	Mr. Fackenthall	Mr. Mathewson
Becker	Farrell	Petrikin
G. Bell	Kerr	F. Smith
Boyer	Knight	Tutwiler
Dunlap	Krepps	Wolford

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So the question was determined in the affirmative.

The second section and title were severally considered and agreed to. And

Ordered, That the bill be prepared for the third reading.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, returned the bill No. 495, entitled "An act for the relief of Moses Van Campen, a revolutionary officer."

And informed,

That the Senate have passed said bill with amendments, in which the concurrence of the House of Representatives is requested.

The amendments by the Senate to the said bill were read, considered and concurred in. And

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate of the same.

Adjourned until 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

SATURDAY, March 17, 1827.

A motion was made by Mr. Dorrance, and read as follows; viz.

Whereas great and invaluable benefits were anticipated by the citizens of Dauphin county, in consequence of an act of incorporation granted them in March, 1823, with power to supply the borough of Harrisburg with water and for other purposes; and since the location of the eastern section of the Pennsylvania canal, the same ground has been occupied by the state that had been contemplated for a canal by the Harrisburg canal, fire insurance and water company, and as the said company have surrendered their chartered privileges to this commonwealth, under the impression that the canal commissioners would create a water power at or near Harrisburg,

Therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in general assembly met, That the Pennsylvania canal commissioners be hereby authorised and required to construct the eastern section of the Pennsylvania canal, between the point opposite the mouth of the Juniata river, and the borough of Harrisburg, with an increased inclination of at least two and one half inches in the mile, and all the surplus water that may be created and spared from the Pennsylvania canal, between the points above mentioned, shall be sold to be used in the vicinity of said town, and the same to be sold in the same manner and upon the same terms and conditions as all other water privileges may be disposed of by the commissioners, under the provisions relating to the Pennsylvania canal; and the said Harrisburg company, is hereby permitted and empowered to form and construct a communication by means of a navigable canal between the upper basin of the Pennsylvania canal and the river, near the said borough: *Provided,* The same can be accomplished without injury to the navigation on the said canal.

Laid on the table.

The Sergeant-at-arms obtained leave of absence for a few days, from Monday next.

Mr. Hettrick obtained leave of absence for a few days from Monday next.

Mr. Alter, from the committee appointed to confer with a similar committee of the Senate, on the subject of the amendments to the bill from the Senate, No. 241, entitled "A supplement to an act entitled "An act to erect the town of Chester, in the county of Delaware, into a borough, and for other purposes therein mentioned," reported the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That the committee be discharged, and that this House recede from the said amendments.

And on motion, the said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted, and

Ordered, That the clerk inform the Senate of the same.

Mr. Irwin, from the committee to whom were referred, on the 15th inst, sundry petitions on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 507, entitled "An act making an appropriation for building a bridge across Dunlap's creek, in Fayette county."

Mr. Wilson, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 6th inst. a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 508, entitled "An act to authorise a review on part of the state road leading from the Northern to the Southern turnpike."

Which bills were read and,

Laid on the table.

The bills from the Senate entitled as follow, were severally read the third time and passed, viz.

No. 292, "An act for the relief of James Murphy, a soldier of the revolution."

No. 320, "An act extending the time for completing the Washington and Pittsburg turnpike road, and relative to the state's subscription to the same." And

Ordered, That the Clerk return the said bills to the Senate,

The bill from the Senate, No. 298, entitled "An act authorising the Governor to incorporate the Mahonoy navigation company," was read the third time and passed, and

Odered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate, and request their concurrence in the amendments thereto by this House.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, presented for concurrence the bill and resolutions entitled as follow, viz.

No. 509, "An act concerning unpatented lands."

Which bill was read, and made the first order of the day for Monday the 26th instant.

No. 510, resolution recommending to county commissioners to furnish children, educated at the public expense, with Rogers' Biographical Dictionary.

No. 511, resolution relative to the penal code.

Which resolutions were read, and

Laid on the table.

And informed,

That the Senate have concurred in the amendments by the House of Representatives, to the bill No. 297, entitled "A supplement to the act, entitled An act to authorise the Governor to incorporate a company to make a lock navigation on the east branch of the river Schuylkill, called the Little Schuylkill."

And further informed,

That the Senate have concurred in the 1st, 2d and 3d amendments, and non concurred in the remaining amendments by the House of Representatives, to the bill No. 298, entitled "An act

authorising the Governor to incorporate the Mahanoy navigation company."

On motion,

The House receded from the amendments non-concurred in by the Senate, to the said bill. And

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate of the same.

The bill from the Senate, No. 319, entitled "A further supplement to the act, entitled An act to re-charter certain banks," was read the third time.

When the hour having arrived for proceeding to the consideration of the bill No. 451, entitled "An act to provide for the further extension of the Pennsylvania canal," the said bill was read the second time.

And the first section being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Ringland, to amend the same by striking therefrom these words, "that the board of canal commissioners are hereby authorised and required, in behalf of this state, as speedily as may be, to locate and contract for making canals and locks, and other works necessary thereto, from the eastern section of the Pennsylvania canal to a point at or near Frankstown, on the Juniata, and to a point at or near the New York state line, on the North Branch of the Susquehanna; and also to a point at or near the mouth of the Sinnamahoning, on the West Branch, and further to extend the western section of the Pennsylvania canal to a point at or near Johnstown, on the Conemaugh. *Provided*, That before contracting for any other part of the aforesaid routes, they shall previously contract for such parts as will connect the eastern section with a point at or near Lewistown, on the Juniata; and with a point at or near the Muncy ripples, on the West Branch; and with a point at or near the mouth of Fishing creek, on the North Branch; and with the western section, a point at or near Blairsville, on the Conemaugh," and inserting in lieu thereof these words, "that the board of canal commissioners are hereby authorised and required, in behalf of this state, as speedily as may be, to locate and contract for making canals and locks, and other works necessary thereto, from the eastern section of the Pennsylvania canal to a point at or near Frankstown, on the Juniata, and further to extend the western section of the Pennsylvania canal, to a point at or near Johnstown, on the Conemaugh."

And on the question,

Will the House agree so to amend?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Ringland and Mr. Matts, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Agnew
Alter
Aughinbaugh
Barber
Becker

Mr. Bell, Leb.
Bell, West.
Bertolet
Bonner
Boyer

Mr. Brown, Jan.
Buyers
Cooper
Cope
Dillinger

YEAS.

Mr. Dunlap
Evans
Farrell
Gebhart
Good
Hetrick
Irwin
James
Kerr
Krepps
Lauman
M'Creery
M'Sherry

Mr. Martin
Mathews, Cam.
Matheys, Mont.
Matte
G. Miller
H. Miller
J. Miller
R. Miller
Nicholson
Overholzer
Pennypacker
Rahn

Mr. Ramsey
Ringland
F. Smith
J. Stevens
Thompson
Tutwiler
Walker
Whitlatch
Wilson
Wolfersberger
Wolford
Ritner, Sp'r.

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NAYS.

Mr. Atkinson
Beatty
G. Bell
Binder
Blair
Bonsall
Boyd
Brown, Allegh.
Burden
Cummin
Cunningham
Denny
Derrance
Duncan
Eldred
Ellis

Mr. Fackenthall
W. Forster
W. B. Foster
Haines
Harrison
Hergesheimer
Hottenstein
Ihrle
Kennedy
Knight
Lawson
Lehman
M'Bride
M'Clure
M'Ewen
M'Reynolds

Mr. Madden
Mathewson
Meredith
Patterson
Pearson
Petrikin
Rankin
Scudder
Shannon
J. R. C. Smith
Snyder
P. Stephens
Thomas
Wise
Woolverton

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So the question was determined in the affirmative.

A motion was then made by Mr. Petrikin, to amend the section by inserting after "Juniata," these words, "And to a point at or near the New York state line, on the north branch of the Susquehanna, and also to a point at or near the mouth of the Bald Eagle, *Provided*, that before contracting for any other part of the aforesaid routes, they shall previously contract for such parts as will connect the eastern section with a point at or near Mifflin, on the Juniata, and with a point at or near the Muncy ripples, on the West Branch, and with a point at or near the mouth of Fishing creek, on the North Branch."

And on the question,

Will the House agree so to amend?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Petrikin and Mr. Farrell, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Fackenthall	Mr. Madden
Beatty	W. Forster	Mathewson
G. Bell	W. B. Foster	Meredith
Binder	Haines	Patterson
Blair	Harrison	Pearson
Bonsall	Hergesheimer	Petrikín
Boyd	Hottenstein	Rankin
Brown, Allegh.	Ihríe	Scudder
Burden	Kennedy	Shannon
Cummin	Knight	J. R. C. Smith
Cunningham	Lawson	Snyder
Denny	Lehman	P. Stephens
Dorrance	M'Bride	Thomas
Duncan	M'Clure	Wise
Eldred	M'Ewen	Woolverton
Ellis	M'Reynolds	

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NAYS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. Gebhart	Mr. R. Miller
Alter	Good	Nicholson
Aughinbaugh	Hetrick	Overholzer
Barber	Irwin	Pennypacker
Becker	James	Rahn
Bell Leb.	Kerr	Ramsey
Bell, West.	Krepps	Ringland
Bertolet	Lauman	F. Smith
Bonner	M'Creery	J. Stevens
Boyer	M'Sherry	Thompson
Brown, Lan.	Martin	Tutwiler
Buyers	Mathews, Cam.	Walker
Cooper	Matheys, Mont.	Whitlatch
Cope	Matts	Wilson
Dunlap	G. Miller	Wolfersberger
Evans	H. Miller	Ritner, Sp'r.
Farrell	J. Miller	

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So the question was determined in the negative.

A motion was then made by Mr. Lehman, to amend the section by inserting after "Juniata," these words, "and to a point at or near the New York state line, on the north branch of the Susquehanna, and also to a point at or near the mouth of Bald Eagle;" and by adding to the section the following proviso, viz.

Provided, That before contracting for any other part of the aforesaid routes, they shall previously contract for and complete such parts as will connect the eastern section with a point at or Mifflin, on the Juniata, and with a point at or near Northumberland, on the West Branch, and the western section with a point at or near Blairsville."

And on the question,
Will the House agree so to amend?

A motion was made by Mr. Blair, to postpone the question, together with the bill, until Monday morning next, at 10 o'clock.

Which was disagreed to.

And the question recurring on the amendment,

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Petrikin and Mr. Farrell, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Atkinson
Beatty
G. Bell
Binder
Blair
Bonsall
Boyd
Brown, Allegh.
Burden
Cummin
Cunningham
Denny
Dorrance
Duncan
Eldred
Ellis
Packenthall

Mr. W. Forster
W. B. Foster
Haines
Harrison
Hergesheimer
Hottenstein
Ihrle
Kennedy
Knight
Lawson
Lehman
M'Bride
M'Clure
M'Ewen
M'Reynolds
Madden
Martin

Mr. Mathewson
Meredith
Patterson
Pearson
Pennypacker
Petrikin
Rankin
Scudder
Shannon
J. R. C. Smith
Snyder
P. Stephens
Thomas
Thompson
Wise
Woolverton

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NAYS.

Mr. Agnew
Alter
Aughinbaugh
Barber
Becker
Bell, Leb.
Bell, West.
Bertolet
Bonner
Boyer
Brown, Lan.
Buyers
Cooper
Cope
Dillinger
Dunlap

Mr. Evans
Farrell
Gebhart
Good
Hetrick
Irwin
James
Kerr
Krepps
Lauman
M'Creery
M'Sherry
Mathews, Cam.
Matheys, Mont.
Matts
G. Miller

Mr. H. Miller
J. Miller
R. Miller
Nicholson
Overholzer
Rahn
Ramsey
Ringland
F. Smith
J. Stevens
Tutwiler
Walker
Whitlatch
Wilson
Wolfersberger
Ritner, Sp'r. 48

So the question was determined in the affirmative.

A motion was then made that the House adjourn.

Which was agreed to.

Adjourned until 9 o'clock on Monday morning next.

MONDAY, March 19, 1827.

Mr. Harrison presented two petitions from sundry inhabitants of Bucks county, praying for a division of the said county.

Mr. Snyder presented a memorial from the board of commissioners of the district of Spring Garden, in the county of Philadelphia, praying for the passage of a law to secure to the said district its just proportion of the funds appropriated for the purchase and repair of certain public landings therein mentioned.

Mr. Snyder presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Schuylkill county, praying for the incorporation of coal companies.

Mr. Rahn presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Schuylkill county, against the incorporation of coal companies.

Mr. Boyer presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Berks county, against the further extension of the Pennsylvania canal.

Mr. Thomas presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Luzerne county, praying that a company may be incorporated for the purpose of making a turnpike road from Wilkesbarre to Mauch Chunk.

Mr. Lawson presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Armstrong county, praying for an appropriation in aid of making the Roseburg and Mercer turnpike road.

Mr. Harrison presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Bucks county, praying for the passage of a law laying a tax on dogs in the said county.

Mr. Harrison presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of the borough of Morrisville, Bucks county, praying for certain alterations in their act of incorporation.

Mr. Whitlatch presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Greene and Fayette counties, praying that a state road may be laid out from Haydentown to the Virginia state line, in a direction to the mouth of Fishing creek.

Mr. J. Stevens presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Montgomery county, praying for an appropriation in aid of the erection of a bridge over the river Schuylkill, at Norristown.

Mr. Whitlatch presented a memorial from sundry inhabitants of the western part of this state, praying that measures may be taken to procure the abolition of slavery in the United States.

Mr. Cope presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Montgomery county, against the laying out of a state road from Pottstown to Trexler's store.

And the said petitions, remonstrances and memorial were
Laid on the table.

Mr. Knight presented a petition from the overseers of the poor of Byberry and Moreland townships, Philadelphia county, praying for certain alterations in the poor laws.

Which was referred to Messrs. Knight, Duncan and Cunningham.

Mr. Rahn presented two petitions from sundry inhabitants of Schuylkill county, praying that a company may be incorporated to make a slack water navigation from the mouth of Mill creek to the south side of the Mine Hill.

Which were referred to Messrs. Rahn, Bell of Westmoreland and Matheys of Montgomery.

Mr. Blair presented a petition from sundry members of the Presbyterian congregation of Williamsburg, in Huntingdon county, praying for authority to convey certain real estate.

Which was referred to Messrs. Blair, Haines and Wolford.

Mr. Knight, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 15th instant, a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 512, entitled "A supplement to the act, entitled An act to provide for the erection of a poor house for the better relief and employment of the poor, in the townships of Oxford and Lower Dublin, in the county of Philadelphia."

Mr. Kerr, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 22d ultimo, a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 513, entitled "A further supplement to an act, entitled An act to authorise the Governor to incorporate four companies for making an artificial road from the town of Washington, in this state, to intersect the Harrisburg and Pittsburg turnpike road, at or near the town of Bedford."

Mr. Harrison, from the committee to whom were referred sundry petitions on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 514, entitled "An act to revive the act, entitled An act laying a tax on dogs in certain counties, and for other purposes, passed the 25d day of March, 1809, so far as respects certain townships in the county of Bucks."

Which bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

Mr. Binder, from the committee appointed on the subject, made a report, (No. 265,) relative to the inspection of flour, accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That the committee be discharged from the further consideration of the subject, and that the petitions and documents be recommended to the early attention of the next legislature.

And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

The House resumed the third reading of the bill from the Senate, No. 519, entitled "A further supplement to the act, entitled An act to re-charter certain banks."

And the question recurring,

Shall the bill pass?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Wise and Mr. Farrell, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Gebhart	Mr. R. Miller
Aughinbaugh	Good	Overholzer
Barber,	Haines	Patterson
Bell, Leb.	Harrison	Pearson
* Bell, West.	Ihrle	Pennypacker
Bertolet	Kennedy	Ramsey
Biader	Lawson	Rankin
Blair	Lehman	Ringland
Bonsall	M'Clure	Scudder
Boyd	M'Creery	Shannon
Brown, Lan.	M'Ewen	J. R. C. Smith
Cope	M'Reynolds	Snyder
Cummin	Martin	P. Stephens
Cunningham	Mathews, Cam.	J. Stevens
Denny	Matheys, Mont.	Thomas
Dillinger	Matts	Thompson
Duncan	Meredith	Whitlatch
Eldred	G. Miller,	Wilson
Evans	H. Miller	Woolverton
W. B. Foster	J. Miller	Ritner, <i>Sp'r.</i> 69

NAYS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. Ellis	Mr. Nicholson
Alter	Fackenthall	Petrikin
Becker	Farrell	Rahn
G. Bell	Hargesheimer	F. Smith
Bonner	Hottenstein	Tutwiler
Boyer	James	Walker
Burden	Kerr	Wise
Buyers	Knight	Wolfersberger
Couper	Krepps	Wolford
Dunlap	Mathewson	

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So the question was determined in the affirmative. And

Ordered, That the Clerk return the said bill to the Senate, and request their concurrence in the amendments thereto by this House.

On motion of Mr. Rahn,

The House proceeded to the consideration of the amendments by this House, to the bill from the Senate, No. 413, entitled "An act to authorise Samuel Humes, jr. guardian of Fidelia R. Vandyke, to sell and convey certain real estate," non-concurred in by the Senate.

When a motion was made by Mr. Rahn, that the House recede from the said amendments.

Which was agreed to. And

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate of the same.

On motion of Mr. Duncan,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Wise in the chair, on the resolution No. 501, relative to infant schools in the first school district of Pennsylvania.

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the resolution without amendment. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted. And

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, presented for concurrence the bills entitled as follow, viz.

No. 515, "A further supplement to the act, entitled An act for the regulation of the militia of this commonwealth."

Which bill was read, and made the first order for Monday afternoon next.

No. 516, "An act to enable the Governor to incorporate a company for making an artificial road from the borough of Mercer, in the county of Mercer, to the line of the state of Ohio, in a direction to the centre of Vernon, in the county of Trumbull, in the state of Ohio."

Which bill was read, and

Laid on the table.

The House resumed the second reading of the bill No. 451, entitled "An act to provide for the further extension of the Pennsylvania canal."

And the 1st section recurring,

A motion was made by Mr. Farrel, to amend the same by inserting after "Conemaugh," in the 11th line, these words, "*Provided*, That the contracts to be entered into, shall not exceed the estimates made by the engineers; and for the north branch of the Susquehanna, the contracts shall not exceed eight thousand dollars per mile."

Which was disagreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Blair, further to amend the section by inserting after "Conemaugh," in the 11th line, those words, "and from thence by a portage, or part canal and part portage, up the Little Conemaugh, and across the Allegheny mountain, to a point on the Juniata, at or near old Frankstown."

The amendment being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Ellis, to amend the same by adding thereto these words, "and they shall also cause further examinations to be made, with a view of ascertaining the practicability and cost of an entire water communication between the west branch of the Susquehanna and the waters of the Allegheny river."

Which was agreed to.

And the amendment as amended was agreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. W. Forster, to amend the section by adding thereto the following proviso, viz.

"*Provided*, That if it should be found necessary, in order to construct the said canals, to obstruct the navigation of either of the rivers Susquehanna and its branches, and the Juniata or Conemaugh, by dams or other means, that before such obstructions shall be authorised to be made, the said commissioners shall cause to be made, a means of navigation in either or all of said rivers equally safe and practicable as now exists in the said rivers."

The amendment being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Lehman, to amend the same by striking therefrom "authorised to be."

Which was agreed to.

And the amendment as amended was agreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Ringland, further to amend the section by inserting after "Mifflin," in the 13th line, "or Lewistown."

And on the question,

Will the House agree so to amend?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Ellis and Mr. Petrikin, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. Dillinger	Mr. R. Miller
Alter	Duncan	Patterson
Aughinbaugh	Evans	Pennypacker
Becker	Farrell	Rahn
Bell, Leb.	Gebhart	Ramsey
Bell, West.	Good	Ringland
Bertolet	James	Shannon
Binder	Kerr	F. Smith
Blair	Lauman	J. R. C. Smith
Bonner	Lawson	J. Stevens
Bonsall	M'Creery	Thompson
Boyd	Madden	Tutwiler
Boyer	Martin	Walker
Brown, Lan.	Mathews, Cam.	Whitlatch
Buyers	Matheys, Mont.	Wilson
Cooper	Matts	Wise
Cope	Meredith	Wolfersberger
Cummin	G. Miller	Wolford
Cunningham	H. Miller	Ritner, Sp'r.
Denny	J. Miller	

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NAYS.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Dorrance	Mr. W. B. Foster
Barber	Dunlap	Haines
Beatty	Eldred	Harrison
G. Bell	Ellis	Hergesheimer
Brown, Allegh.	Fackenthall	Hottenstein
Burden	W. Forster	Ihrle

YAYS.

Mr. Irwin	Mr. M'Ewen	Mr. Petrikin
Kennedy	M'Reynolds	Rankin
Knight	M'Sherry	Scudder
Krepps	Mathewson	Snyder
Lehman	Nicholson	P. Stephens
M'Bride	Overholzer	Thomas
M'Clure	Pearson	Woolverton 39

So the question was determined in the affirmative.

A motion was then made by Mr. Lawson, further to amend the section by inserting after "Blairsville," in the 15th line, these words, "and as soon as any of the said sections are completed, it shall be the duty of the canal commissioners further to extend the said sections respectively to such points as, in their opinion, will best promote the interest of the commonwealth."

And on the question,

Will the House agree so to amend?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Lawson and Mr. Petrikin, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Beatty	Mr. Lehman	Mr. Rankin
Bonner	M'Ewen	Snyder
Burden	M'Reynolds	P. Stephens
Denny	Meredith	Thomas
Lawson	Petrikin	Ritner, Sp'r. 15

NAYS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. Dorrance	Mr. Lauman
Alter	Duncan	M'Bride
Atkinson	Dunlap	M'Clure
Aughinbaugh	Eldred	M'Creery
Barber	Ellis	M'Sherry
Becker	Evans	Madden
G. Bell	Fackenthall	Martin
Bell, Leb.	Farrell	Mathews, Cam.
Bell, West.	W. Forster	Matheys, Mont.
Bertolet	W. B. Foster	Mathewson
Binder	Gebhart	Matts
Blair	Good	G. Miller
Bonsall	Haines	H. Miller
Boyd	Harrison	J. Miller
Boyer	Hergesheimer	R. Miller
Brown, Allegh.	Hottenstein	Nicholson
Brown, Lan.	Ihrle	Overholzer
Buyers	Irwin	Patterson
Cooper	James	Pearson
Cope	Kennedy	Pennypacker
Cummin	Kerr	Rahn
Cunningham	Knight	Ramsey
Dillinger	Krepps	Ringland

NAYS.

Mr. Scudder	Mr. Thompson	Mr. Wise
Shannon	Tutwiler	Wolfersbrger
F. Smith	Walker	Wolford
J. R. C. Smith	Whitlatch	Woolverton
J. Stevens	Wilson	

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So the question was determined in the negative.

A motion was then made by Mr. Mathews of Cambria, further to amend the section by inserting after 'Blairsville,' in the 15th line, 'or Johnstown.'

And on the question,

Will the House agree so to amend?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Petrikin and Mr. W. Forster, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. Cope	Mr. H. Miller
Alter	Cunningham	Rahn
Aughinbaugh	Evans	Ramsey
Becker	Farrell	Shannon
Bell, Leb.	Gebhart	F. Smith
Bell, West.	Good	J. Stevens
Bertolet	James	Walker
Bonner	Mathews, Cam.	Wise
Boyer	Matheys, Mont.	Wolfersberger
Buyers	Matts	Welford
Cooper	G. Miller	Ritner, Sp'r.

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NAYS.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Haines	Mr. Meredith
Barber	Harrison	J. Miller
Beatty	Hergesheimer	R. Miller
G. Bell	Hottenstein	Nicholson
Binder	Ihrle	Overholzer
Blair	Irwin	Patterson
Bonsall	Kennedy	Pearson
Boyd	Kerr	Pennypacker
Brown, Allegh.	Knight	Petrikin
Brown, Lan.	Krepps	Rankin
Burden	Lauman	Ringland
Cummin	Lawson	Scudder
Denny	Lehman	J. R. C. Smith
Dillinger	M'Bride	Snyder
Dorrance	M'Clure	P. Stephens
Duncan	M'Creery	Thomas
Dunlap	M'Ewen	Thompson
Eldred	M'Reynolds	Tutwiler
Ellis	M'Sherry	Whitlatch
Fackenthall	Madden	Wilson
W. Forster	Martin	Woolverton
W. B. Foster	Mathewson	

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So the question was determined in the negative.

A motion was then made by Mr. Gebhart, that the bill be re-committed to a committee of the whole House, for the purpose of amending the first section so as to read as follows, viz.

That the board of canal commissioners are hereby authorised and required, in behalf of this state, as speedily as may be, to locate and contract for making canals and locks and other works necessary thereto, from the eastern section of the Pennsylvania canal, to a point at or near Frankstown, on the Juniata; and further to extend the western section to a point at or near Johnstown, on the Conemaugh; and also from the most suitable point on said western section to a point on Presque Isle, on Lake Erie, by such route as the legislature may adopt, after the necessary surveys and estimates shall have been made.

And on the question, Will the House agree to the motion?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. M'Reynolds and Mr. Gebhart, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Agnew
Alter
Aughinbaugh
Becker
Bell, L. b.
Bell, West.
Bertolet
Bonner
Boyer
Brown, Lan.
Buyers
Cope
Cunningham

Mr. Dillinger
Dunlap
Evans
Farrell
Gebhart
Good
Hottenstein
Irwin
James
Kerr
Lauman
Matheys, Mont.
Matts

Mr. G. Miller
H. Miller
Rahn
Ramsey
Ringland
Shannon
F. Smith
J. Stevens
Walker
Whitlatch
Wolfersberger
Wolford

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NAYS.

Mr. Atkinson
Barber
Beatty
G. Bell
Binder
Blair
Bonsall
Boyd
Brown, Allegh.
Burden
Cooper
Cummin
Denny
Dorrance
Duncan
Eldred
Ellis
Fackenthall
W. Forster
W. B. Foster

Mr. Haines
Harrison
Hergesheimer
Ihrle
Kennedy
Knight
Krepps
Lawson
Lehman
M'Bride
M'Clure
M'Creery
M'Ewen
M'Reynolds
M'Sherry
Madden
Martin
Mathews, Cam.
Mathewson
Meredith

Mr. J. Miller
R. Miller
Nicholson
Overholzer
Patterson
Pearson
Pennypacker
Petrikin
Rankin
Scudder
J. R. C. Smith
Snyder
P. Stephens
Thomas
Thompson
Tutwiler
Wilson
Wise
Woolverton
Ritner, Sp'r.

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So the question was determined in the negative.

A motion was then made by Mr. Woolverton, to amend the section by inserting after 'Allegheny river,' these words, 'and the said board of canal commissioners are also authorised and required to locate and contract for making a canal and locks, and other works necessary thereto, from the most suitable point on said western section to a point on Lake Erie, at or near the borough of Erie, by such route as shall hereafter be determined on by the legislature, when the requisite surveys for that purpose shall be made.'

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

On motion,

The House adjourned until 3 o'clock this afternoon.

SAME DAY.

The House resumed the second reading of the bill from the Senate, No. 175, entitled "An act annexing part of Berks county to the county of Lebanon."

And the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the amendment to the first section?

A motion was made by Mr. Rahn to postpone the question, together with the bill, indefinitely.

And on the question,

Will the House agree so to postpone?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Bertolet and Mr. Good, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

**Mr. Agnew
Becker
Bell, West.
Bertolot
Binder
Bonsall
Boyd
Boyer
Brown, Lan.
Cooper
Cope
Cunningham
Denny
Dillinger**

Mr. Dunlap
Ellis
Evans
Fackenthal
Farrell
Good
Harrison
Hergesheimer
Hottenstein
Knight
Lawson
Martin
Matheys, Mont.

Mr. Matts
Morelith
G. ...
Pal ...
Per ...
R ...
R ...
Shannon
J. R. C. Smith
Thomas
Thompson
Wise
Ritner, Sp'r.

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NAYS.

Mr. Atkinson
Aughinbaugh
Beatty
G. Bell

Mr. Bell, Leb.
Blair
Bonner
Brown, Allegh.

Mr. Burden
Buyers
Cummin
W. Forster

NAYS.

Mr. W. B. Foster	Mr. M'Reynolds	Mr. Rankin
Gebhart	M'Sherry	Ringland
Haines	Mathews, Cam.	Snyder
Ihrig	Mathewson	Tutwiler
James	H. Miller	Walker
Kennedy	J. Miller	Whitlatch
Kerr	R. Miller	Woltersberger
Lauman	Nicholson	Wolford
M'Bride	Pearson	Woolverton
M'Ewen	Pennypacker	

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So the question was determined in the negative.

And the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the amendment?

It was determined in the affirmative.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the first section as amended?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Hottenstein and Mr. Rahn, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Gebhart	Mr. Pearson
Aughinbaugh	Kennedy	Pennypacker
Beatty	Kerr	Rankin
Becker	Lauman	Ringland
G. Bell	M'Bride	Snyder
Bell, Leb.	M'Ewen	Thomas
Blair	M'Sherry	Tutwiler
Bonner	Mathews, Cam.	Walker
Brown, Allegh.	Mathewson	Whitlatch
Cummin	H. Miller	Woltersberger
Dorrance	J. Miller	Wolford
W. Forster	R. Miller	Woolverton
W. B. Foster	Nicholson	

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NAYS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. Ellis	Mr. Matheys, Mont.
Bell, West.	Evans	Matts
Bertolet	Fackenthall	Meredith
Binder	Farrell	G. Miller
Bonsall	Good	Overholzer
Boyd	Haines	Patterson
Boyer	Harrison	Petrikiri
Brown, Lan.	Hergesheimer	Rahn
Burden	Hottenstein	Ramsey
Buyers	Ihrig	Scudder
Cooper	James	Shannon
Cope	Knight	J. Stevens
Cunningham	Lawson	Thompson
Denny	M'Clure	Wise
Dillinger	M'Creery	Ritner, Sp'r.
Dunlap	Martin	

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So the question was determined in the negative.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Bonner in the chair, on the bill from the Senate,

No. 443, entitled "An act relative to the eastern and western penitentiaries."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with amendments.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Fackenthall in the chair, on the bill from the Senate,

No. 466, entitled "An act for the protection of sureties in certain cases."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

Leave was granted. And

Ordered, That the committee of the whole sit again on to-morrow.

Adjourned until 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.



TUESDAY, March 20, 1827.

Mr. Dillinger, from the committee appointed to compare bills and present them to the Governor for his approbation, made report, which was read as follows, viz :

That in conjunction with a similar committee from the Senate, they have compared and on yesterday presented to the Governor for his approbation, the bills entitled as follow, to wit :

An act extending the time for completing the Washington and Pittsburg turnpike road, and relative to the state's subscription to the same.

A supplement to the act, entitled An act to erect the town of Chester and its vicinity, in the county of Delaware, into a borough, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

A supplement to the act, entitled An act to authorise the Governor to incorporate a company to make a lock navigation on the east branch of the river Schuylkill, called the Little Schuylkill.

An act authorising the Governor to incorporate the Schuylkill valley navigation company, and for other purposes.

An act for the relief of Moses Vancampen, a revolutionary officer.

An act for the relief of James Murphy, a soldier of the revolution.

Resolution relative to the report of the commissioners to revise the penal code.

Resolution relative to the further distribution of the laws.

Laid on the table.

The deputy Secretary of the Commonwealth being introduced, presented a message from the Governor, which was read as follows, viz.

To the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

GENTLEMEN—I have this day approved and signed the following acts and resolutions of the General Assembly, and directed the Secretary of the Commonwealth to return them to the Houses in which they respectively originated, viz.

An act authorising the Governor to incorporate the Schuylkill Valley navigation company, and for other purposes.

A supplement to the act, entitled An act to authorise the Governor to incorporate a company to make a lock navigation on the east branch of the river Schuylkill, called the Little Schuylkill.

An act extending the time for completing the Washington and Pittsburg turnpike road, and relative to the state's subscription to the same.

A supplement to the act, entitled An act to erect the town of Chester and its vicinity, in the county of Delaware, into a borough, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

An act for the relief of James Murphy, a soldier of the revolution.

An act for the relief of Moses Vancampen, a revolutionary officer.

A resolution relative to the further distribution of the laws.

A resolution relative to the report of the commissioners appointed to revise the penal code.

J. ANDW. SHULZE.

Harrisburg, March 20, 1827.

Laid on the table.

Mr. Madden presented the petition of Mary Bellman, of Union county, accompanied with documents, on behalf of herself and the other children of George Langkammer, praying compensation for a tract of donation land, for the services of her late father in the revolutionary war.

Which were referred to the committee on claims.

Mr. Bell of Westmoreland presented a petition from sundry stockholders in the Robbstown and Mount Pleasant turn-

pike road, praying that the Washington and Williamsport turnpike road company may be compelled to collect the subscriptions due by stockholders, and to complete their road.

Mr. Agnew presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Chester county, against the further extension of the Pennsylvania canal.

And the said petition and remonstrance were

Laid on the table.

Mr. Overholzer presented two remonstrances from sundry inhabitants of Cocalico and Earl townships, Lancaster county, against changing the place of holding their general elections.

Mr. Scudder presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Lower Mahanoy township, Northumberland county, against changing the place of holding their general elections.

And the said remonstrances were referred to the committee on election districts

Mr. Bertolet obtained leave of absence for a few days, from tomorrow.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, returned the bill No. 218, entitled "An act for the relief of sundry brigade inspectors."

And informed,

That the Senate have passed said bill with one amendment, in which the concurrence of the House of Representatives is requested.

The said amendment was read, and

Laid on the table.

The House resumed the second reading of the bill No. 451, entitled "An act to provide for the further extension of the Pennsylvania canal."

And the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the amendment to the first section?

It was determined in the affirmative.

A motion was then made by Mr. Nicholson, further to amend the section by adding thereto these words:

Provided further, That the aforesaid canals and locks, and other works necessary thereto, shall not be contracted for at an average expense exceeding ten thousand dollars per mile.

And on the question,

Will the House agree so to amend?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Nicholson and Mr. Kreppe, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Agnew

Alter

Aughinbaugh

Barber

Becker

Bell, Leb.

Bell, West.

Mr. Bertolet

Bonner

Boyer

Brown, Lan.

Buyers

Cooper

Cope

Mr. Dillinger

Dunlap

Evans

Farrell

Gebhart

Good

Hottenstein.

YEAS.

Mr. Irwin	Mr. G. Miller	Mr. J. Stevens
Krepps	H. Miller	Tutwiler
Lauman	Nicholson	Walker
M'Sherry	Overholzer	Wolfersberger
Matheys, Mont.	Rahn	Wolford
Matts	F. Smith	

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NAYS.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Harrison	Mr. J. Miller
Beatty	Hergesheimer	Patterson
G. Bell	Ihrle	Pearson
Binder	James	Pennypacker
Blair	Kennedy	Petrikín
Bonsall	Kerr	Ramsey
Boyd	Knight	Rankin
Brown, Allegh.	Lawson	Ringland
Burden	Lehman	Scudder
Cummin	M'Bride	Shannon
Cunningham	M'Clure	J. R. C. Smith
Denny	M'Creery	Snyder
Dorrance	M'Ewen	P. Stephens
Duncan	M'Reynolds	Thomas
Eldred	Madden	Thompson
Ellis	Martin	Whitlatch
Fackenthall	Mathews, Cam.	Wise
W. Forster	Mathewson	Woolverton
W. B. Foster	Meredith	Ritner, Sp'r.
Haines		

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So the question was determined in the negative.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the first section as amended?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Krepps and Mr. Becker, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Dorrance	Mr. Kerr
Beatty	Duncan	Knight
G. Bell	Eldred	Lawson
Binder	Ellis	Lehman
Blair	Fackenthall	M'Clure
Bonsall	W. Forster	M'Creery
Boyd	W. B. Foster	M'Ewen
Brown, Allegh.	Haines	M'Reynolds
Burden	Harrison	Madden
Cummin	Hergesheimer	Martin
Cunningham	Ihrle	Mathews, Cam.
Denny	Kennedy	Mathewson

YEAS.

Mr. Meredith	Mr. Ringland	Mr. Thompson
J. Miller	Scudder	Whitlatch
Patterson	Shannon	Wilson
Pearson	J. R. C. Smith	Wise
Pennypacker	Snyder	Woolverton
Petrikín	P. Stephens	Ritner, <i>Sp'r.</i>
Rankin	Thomas	

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NAYS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. Dillinger	Mr. Matts
Alter	Dunlap	G. Miller
Aughinbaugh	Farrell	H. Miller
Barber	Gebhart	Nicholson
Becker	Good	Overholzer
Bell, Leb.	Hottenstein	Rahn
Bell, West.	Irwin	Ramsey
Bertolet	James	F. Smith
Bonner	Krepps	J. Stevens
Boyer	Lauman	Tutwiler
Brown, Lan.	M'Bride	Walker
Buyers	M'Sherry	Wolffersberger
Cooper	Matheys, Mont.	Wolford
Cope		

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So the question was determined in the affirmative.

The second section being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. J. Miller, to postpone the same for the purpose of amending the bill by inserting the following new section, viz.

Section 2. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That before the commissioners shall determine on the location of the canal from the mouth of the Juniata river, to Mifflin or Lewis-town, they shall cause further examinations to be made on each side of the Juniata, by at least two of the most experienced engineers, in the service of the board, in order to ascertain which side of the river is most favorable for the construction of a canal; and a majority of the whole number of canal commissioners are hereby required to concur in the manner and place at which the said canal shall cross the Susquehanna, and if a majority of the said commissioners should decide in favor of crossing the Susquehanna by an aqueduct, they are hereby authorised to connect a bridge with it, should they believe the same practicable and advantageous to the state.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. J. Miller and Mr. Nicholson, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Agnew
Alter
Atkinson
Barber,
Becker
Bell, Leb.
Bell, West.
Bertolet
Bonsall
Boyer
Brown, Lan.
Buyers
Cope
Cummin
Cunningham
Denny
Dillinger

Mr. Dorrance
Dunlap
Eldred
Farrell
W. Forster
W. B. Foster
Gebhart
Good
Hottenstein
Irwin
Kennedy
Krepps
M'Bride
M'Creery
M'Reynolds
Madden

Mr. Matheys, Mont.
G. Miller,
H. Miller
J. Miller
Nicholson
Patterson
Ringland
Shannon
F. Smith
J. Stevens
Tutwiler
Whitlatch
Wolfsberger
Wolford
Woolverton
Ritner, Sp'r.

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NAYS.

Mr. Aughinbaugh
Beatty
G. Bell
Binder
Blair
Bonner
Boyd
Brown, Allegh.
Burden
Cooper
Duncan
Ellis
Evans
Fackenthall
Haines

Mr. Harrison
Hergesheimer
Ihrle
James
Knight
Lauman
Lawson
Lehman
M'Ewen
M'Sherry
Martin
Mathews, Cam.
Mathewson
Matts

Mr. Meredith
Pearson
Pennypacker
Petrikin
Ramsey
Rankin
Scudder
J. R. C. Smith
Snyder
P. Stephens
Thomas
Thompson
Walker
Wise

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So the question was determined in the affirmative.

And on the question,
Will the House agree to the new section?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. J. Miller and Mr. Madden, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Agnew
Alter
Atkinson
Barber
Becker
Bell, Leb.
Bell, West.
Bertolet

Mr. Bonsall
Boyer
Brown, Lan.
Buyers
Cope
Cummin
Cunningham
Denny

Mr. Dillinger
Dunlap
Farrell
W. Forster
W. B. Foster
Gebhart
Good
Hottenstein

YEAS.

Mr. Irwin
James
Kennedy
Krepps
M'Bride
Madden
Mathews, Cam.
G. Miller

Mr. H. Miller
J. Miller
Nicholson
Overholzer
Patterson
Ringland
Shannon
F. Smith

Mr. J. Stevens
Tutwiler
Whitlatch
Wilson
Wolfsberger
Wolford
Woolverton
Ritner, Sp'r. 48

NAYS.

Mr. Aughinbaugh
Beatty
G. Bell
Binder
Blair
Bonner
Boyd
Burden
Cooper
Dorrance
Duncan
Ellis
Fackenthall
Haines
Harrison

Mr. Hergesheimer
Ihrle
Knight
Lauman
Lawson
Lehman
M'Clure
M'Ewen
M'Reynolds
M'Sherry
Martin
Mathewson
Matts
Meredith

Mr. R. Miller
Pearson
Pennypacker
Petrikin
Ramsey
Rankin
Scudder
J. R. C. Smith
Snyder
P. Stephens
Thomas
Thompson
Walker
Wise

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So the question was determined in the affirmative.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the second section?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Farrell and Mr. Boyer, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Atkinson
Beatty
G. Bell
Binder
Blair
Bonsall
Boyd
Brown, Allegh.
Burden
Cummin
Cunningham
Denny
Dorrance
Duncan
Eldred
Ellis
Fackenthall
W. Forster
W. B. Foster

Mr. Haines
Harrison
Hergesheimer
Ihrle
Kennedy
Kerr
Knight
Lawson
Lehman
M'Clure
M'Creery
M'Ewen
M'Reynolds
Madden
Martin
Mathews, Cam.
Mathewson
Meredith
J. Miller

Mr. R. Miller
Patterson
Pearson
Pennypacker
Petrikin
Rankin
Ringland
Scudder
Shannon
J. R. C. Smith
Snyder
P. Stephens
Thomas
Thompson
Whitlatch
Wilson
Wise
Woolverton
Ritner, Sp'r.] 57

NAYS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. Dillinger	Mr. Matheys, Mont.
Alter	Dunlap	Matts
Aughinbaugh	Evans	G. Miller
Barber	Farrell	H. Miller
Becker	Gebhart	Nicholson
Bell, Leb.	Good	Overholzer
Bell, West.	Hottenstein	Ramsey
Bonner	Irwin	F. Smith
Boyer	James	J. Stevens
Brown, Lan.	Krepps	Tutwiler
Buyers	Lauman	Walker
Cooper	M'Bride	Wolfersberger
Cope	M'Sherry	Wolford 29

So the question was determined in the affirmative.

The third section was considered,

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the same?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Krepps and Mr. James, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Haines	Mr. R. Miller
Beatty	Harrison	Patterson
G. Bell	Hergesheimer	Pearson
Binder	Ihrig	Peenypacker
Blair	Kennedy	Petrikon
Bonsall	Kerr	Rankin
Boyd	Knight	Ringland
Brown, Allegh.	Lawson	Scudder
Burden	Lehman	Shannon
Cummin	M'Clure	J. R. C. Smith
Cunningham	M'Creery	Snyder
Denny	M'Ewen	P. Stephens
Dorrance	M'Reynolds	Thomas
Duncan	Madden	Thompson
Eldred	Martin	Whitlatch
Ellis	Mathews, Cam.	Wilson
Fackenthall	Mathewson	Wise
W. Forster	Meredith	Woolverton
W. B. Foster	J. Miller	Ritner, Sp'r. 57

NAYS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. Bonner	Mr. Dunlap
Alter	Boyer	Evans
Aughinbaugh	Brown, Lan.	Farrell
Barber	Buyers	Gebhart
Becker	Cooper	Good
Bell Leb.	Cope	Hottenstein
Bell, West.	Dillinger	Irwin

NAYS.

Mr. James	Mr. Matts	Mr. Ramsey
Krepps	G. Miller	F. Smith
Lauman	H. Miller	Tutwiler
M'Bride	Nicholson	Walker
M'Sherry	Overholzer	Woltersberger
Matheys, Mont.	Rahn	Wolford 39

So the question was determined in the affirmative.

The fourth section being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Blair to amend the same by striking therefrom these words, 'and they shall also cause further examinations to be made, with a view of ascertaining the practicability and cost of an entire water communication between the west branch of the Susquehanna and a branch of the Allegheny.'

Which was agreed to.

And the section as amended was agreed to.

The fifth section being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Ihrie, to amend the same by inserting after 'commissioners,' in the second line, 'during the ensuing summer.'

Which was agreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Ihrie, further to amend the section by inserting after 'navigable,' in the 5th line, 'canal.'

Which was agreed to.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the section as amended?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. G. Miller and Mr. Bonner, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Alter	Mr. W. B. Foster	Mr. Patterson
Atkinson	Haines	Pearson
Beatty	Harrison	Pennypacker
G. Bell	Hergesheimer	Petrikín
Bell, Leb	Ihrie	Ramsey
Binder	Kennedy	Rankin
Blair	Kerr	Ringland
Bonsall	Knight	Scudder
Boyd	Lawson	Shannon
Brown, Allegh	Lehman	J. R. C. Smith
Burden	M'Clure	Snyder
Cummin	M'Creery	P. Stephens
Cunningham	M'Ewen	J. Stevens
Denny	M'Reynolds	Thomas
Dillinger	Madden	Thompson
Dorrance	Martin	Whitlatch
Duncan	Mathewson	Wilson
Eldred	Matts	Wise
Ellis	Meredith	Woolverton
Fackenthall	J. Miller	Ritner, Sp'r.
W. Forster	R. Miller	

NAYS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. Evans	Mr. Matheys, Mont.
Aughinbaugh	Farrell	G. Miller
Barber	Gebhart	H. Miller
Becker	Good	Nicholson
Bell, West	Hottenstein	Overholzer
Bonner	Irwin	Rahn
Boyer	James	F. Smith
Brown, Lan	Krepps	Tutwiler
Buyers	Lauman	Walker
Cooper	M'Bride	Woltersberger
Cope	M'Sherry	Wolford
Dunlap	Mathews, Cam	

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So the question was determined in the affirmative.

The 6th section being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Lehman, to amend the same by inserting after 'communication,' these words, 'the expense of which shall not exceed one hundred thousand dollars.'

Which was agreed to.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the section as amended?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Farrell and Mr. Gebhart, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Fackenthall	Mr. Matts
Beatty	W. Forster	Meredith
G. Bell	W. B. Foster	Patterson
Binder,	Haines	Pearson
Blair	Harrison	Pennypacker
Bonsall	Hergesheimer	Petrikín
Boyd	Ihrle	Ramsey
Brown, Allegh.	Kennedy	Rankin
Burden	Knight	Scudder
Cummin	Lawson	Shannon
Cunningham	Lehman	J. R. C. Smith
Denny	M'Clure	Snyder
Dillinger	M'Creery	P. Stephens
Dorrance	M'Ewen	Thomas
Duncan	M'Reynolds	Thompson
Eldred	Martin	Woolverton
Ellis	Mathewson	Ritner, Sp'r.

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NAYS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. Bell, West.	Mr. Cope
Alter	Bonner	Dunlap
Aughinbaugh	Boyer	Evans
Barber	Brown, Lan.	Farrell
Becker	Buyers	Gebhart
Bell, Leb.	Cooper	Good

NAYS.

Mr. Hottenstein	Mr. Matheys, Mont.	Mr. F. Smith	
James	G. Miller	Tutwiler	
Kerr	H. Miller	Walker	
Krepps	J. Miller	Whitlatch	
Lauman	R. Miller	Wilson	
M ^r Bride	Nicholson	Wise	
M ^r Sherry	Overholzer	Wolfersberger	
Madden	Rahn	Wolford	
Mathews, Cam.	Ringland		44

So the question was determined in the affirmative.

The 7th section being under consideration,

On motion,

The House adjourned until 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.



WEDNESDAY, March 21, 1827.

Mr. Boyer presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Pike township, Berks county, praying that the place of holding their general elections may be changed to the house now occupied by Daniel Oyster.

Mr. Ihrie presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Bethlehem, Hanover and Lower Nazareth townships, Northampton county, against changing the place of holding their general elections.

Mr. Agnew presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Cocalico and Earl townships, Lancaster county, against changing the place of holding their general elections.

And the said petition and remonstrances were referred to the committee on election districts.

Mr. Kennedy presented the proceedings of a public meeting of inhabitants of Northampton county, favourable to the construction of canals at the expense of the state.

Which were read, and

Laid on the table.

Mr. Agnew presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Lancaster and Berks counties, praying for an appropriation in aid of improving the road from Lancaster to Reading.

Which was

Laid on the table

On motion of Mr. M'Sherry,

Ordered, That the petition from sundry inhabitants of Mount Pleasant township, Adams county, presented on the 24th ultimo, be referred to the committee on election districts.

A motion was made by Mr. Farrell, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, By the Senate and House of Representatives, that the Legislature will, on Tuesday, the 10th day of April next, adjourn sine die.

Laid on the table.

Mr. Kennedy obtained leave to withdraw the petition of Hugh Ross, complaining of the official conduct of judge Porter.

Mr. Cummin obtained leave to withdraw the petitions and documents relative to the division of Mifflin county.

Mr. Brown of Lancaster obtained leave to withdraw the petition and documents of John Clendinen.

Mr. Dillinger, from the committee appointed to compare bills and present them to the Governor for his approbation, made report, which was read as follows, viz.

That in conjunction with a similar committee from the Senate, they have compared and on yesterday presented to the Governor for his approbation, the bills entitled as follow, to wit:

An act authorising the Governor to incorporate the Mahonoy navigation company.

An act to authorise Samuel Humes, junior guardian of Fide-lis R. Van Dyke, to sell and convey certain real estate.

Laid on the table.

Mr. M'Creery, from the committee on claims, reported a bill, No. 517, entitled "An act for the relief of Robert Hunter, of Westmoreland county."

Which bill was read, and

Laid on the table.

The House resumed the second reading of the bill No. 451, entitled "An act to provide for the further extension of the Pennsylvania canal."

And the 7th section recurring, was considered and agreed to.

The 8th section was considered and agreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Denny; to amend the bill by inserting the following new section, viz.

Section 9. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid*, That the acting canal commissioners on each section of the canal, respectively, be and they are hereby authorised to make such alterations as may appear to be expedient in the route and location of any state, county or township road, along which, or in the immediate vicinity whereof, the canal, or any part thereof, does or shall pass, and to lay out and open to such width as shall be necessary, so much of any of the said roads as shall be re-located; and such new route of any of the said roads shall be considered as a public highway, to be supported and kept in repair as other highways in this commonwealth; and so much of the route of any road, which shall be altered, shall be and is hereby vacated; and the said acting

canal commissioners, respectively, are hereby required to make a report of the alterations made in the route of any road, under the provisions of this section, to the clerk of the quarter sessions of the county wherein the said road is located.

Which was agreed to.

The 9th section was considered and agreed to.

The 10th section being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Barber, to amend the same by inserting after "Franklin," these words, "and from the west end of the Columbia bridge, through York and Gettysburg, to Chambersburg."

Which was agreed to.

And the section as amended was agreed to.

The 11th, 12th, 13th, 14th and 15th sections were severally considered and agreed to.

The 16th section being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Harrison, to amend the same by adding thereto these words, "and such monies belonging to the said fund, as the commissioners may deem proper, shall be deposited in the bank of Pennsylvania, subject to their drafts, from time to time, to which the said fund is applicable."

Which was agreed to.

And the section as amended was agreed to.

The title was considered and agreed to.

And on the question,

Shall the bill be transcribed for the third reading?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Krepps and Mr. Gebhart, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Atkinson

Beatty

G. Bell

Binder

Blair

Bonsall

Boyd

Brown, Allegh.

Burden

Cummin

Cunningham

Denny

Dorrance

Duncan

Eldred

Ellis

Fackenthall

W. Forster

W. B. Foster

Mr. Haines

Harrison

Hergesheimer

Ihrig

Kennedy

Kerr

Knight

Lawson

Lehman

McClure

McCreery

McEwen

McReynolds

Madden

Martin

Mathews, Cam.

Mathewson

Meredith

J. Miller

Mr. R. Miller

Patterson

Pearson

Pennypacker

Petrikina

Rankin

Ringland

Scudder

Shannon

J. R. C. Smith

Snyder

P. Stephens

Thomas

Thompson

Whitlatch

Wilson

Wise

Woolverton

Ritner, Sp'r. 57

NAYS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. Dillinger	Mr. Matheys, Mort.
Alter	Dunlap	Matts
Aughinbaugh	Evans	G. Miller
Barber	Farrell	H. Miller
Becker	Gebhart	Nicholson
Bell, Leb.	Good	Overholzer
Bell, West.	Hottenstein	Rahn
Bonner	Irwin	Ramsey
Boyer	James	F. Smith
Brown, Lan.	Krepps	J. Stevens
Buyers	Lauman	Tutwiler
Cooper	M'Bride	Walker
Cope	M'Sherry	Wolford

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So the question was determined in the affirmative.

The bill No. 85, entitled "An act to establish a bank in the county of Lebanon," was read the second time.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the first section?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Harrison and Mr. J. R. C. Smith, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. Evans	Mr. J. Miller
Atkinson	Farrell	Overholzer
Aughinbaugh	W. Forster	Pearson
Barber	W. B. Foster	Petrikin
Becker	Gebhart	Rahn
G. Bell	Good	Rankin
Bell, Leb.	Hergesheimer	Ringland
Bell, West.	Ihrle	Scudder
Blair	Irwin	Shannon
Brown, Allegh.	James	F. Smith
Brown, Lan.	Kennedy	Snyder
Burden	Kerr	J. Stevens
Buyers	Knight	Tutwiler
Cooper	Krepps	Walker
Cope	Lawson	Whitlatch
Cummin	Lehman	Wilson
Denny	M'Clure	Wise
Dorrance	M'Ewen	Wolfersberger
Duncan	M'Reynolds	Wolford
Dunlap	Mathews, Cam.	Woolverton
Eldred	H. Miller	Ritner, Sp'r.

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NAYS.

Mr. Alter	Mr. Boyd	Mr. Haines
Beatty	Boyer	Harrison
Binder	Cunningham	Lauman
Bonner	Dillinger	M'Creery
Bonsall	Fackenthall	M'Sherry

NAIFS.

Mr. Madden	Mr. G. Miller	Mr. Pennypacker
Martin	R. Miller	Ramsey
Matts	Nicholson	J. R. C. Smith
Meredith	Patterson	Thompson 27

So the question was determined in the affirmative.

The remaining sections and title were severally considered and agreed to. And

Ordered, That the bill be transcribed for the third reading.

On leave given,

A motion was made by Mr. Lehman, and read as follows, viz.

Whereas, The state of Maryland has incorporated a company, with a view of intersecting the Pennsylvania canal, for the purpose of conveying the trade of Pennsylvania to Baltimore,—

And whereas, it is expedient to consider whether an extension of the Pennsylvania canal to the Maryland line should be made with the funds of our own state, or by an association of our own citizens, who will be subject to our own control, in preference to an association of citizens of Maryland: *And whereas*, it is sound policy to secure the construction of the said canal, on the east side of the Susquehanna, for the purpose of facilitating a communication, independent of the Chesapeake bay, with the Delaware and Chesapeake canal, or with some point on the river Delaware.

Therefore,

Resolved, That the committee on inland navigation and internal improvement be instructed to consider the expediency of requiring the board of canal commissioners to make suitable examinations, within the present year, with a view to the aforesaid objects, and to make report early in the ensuing session of the Legislature; and also, to make report in relation to the practicability and probable cost of a rail way along the valley of the Susquehanna, from the Pennsylvania canal to Columbia, and from thence, through the city of Lancaster, to Philadelphia. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

On motion of Mr. Harrison,

The House again resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Bonsall in the chair, on the bill No. 371, entitled "An act further to continue An act to incorporate the subscribers to the Bank of Pennsylvania, and for other purposes."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with amendments. And

On motion,

The said bill was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered to be transcribed for the third reading.

The bill No. 84, entitled "An act to incorporate the Schuylkill Bank, in the county of Schuylkill," was read the second time.

When a motion was made by Mr. Barber, to postpone the further consideration of the same for the present.

Which was agreed to.

The House resumed the consideration of the bill No. 230, postponed on the 7th inst. entitled "A supplement to the act, entitled An act authorising the Governor to incorporate the Susquehanna and Lehigh canal company."

And on the question.

Will the House agree to the amendment to the motion to recommit the bill?

It was determined in the negative.

And the recommitment was agreed to. And

Ordered, That Messrs. M'Reynolds, Blair, G. Bell, Irwin, Alter, Tutwiler, Aughinbaugh, Ihrie, Gebhart, Bertolet, Whitlatch and Ringland, be of the committee.

The House resumed the second reading of the bill No 68, postponed on the 16th inst. entitled "An act to provide for the settlement of the concerns of the Farmer's and Mechanic's bank of Greencastle."

And the 1st section was considered and agreed to.

The 2d, 3d, 4th, 5th and 6th sections were severally considered and disagreed to.

The remaining sections, preamble and title were severally considered and agreed to. And

Ordered, That the bill be transcribed for the the third reading.

On motion of Mr. Bonner,

The House resumed the consideration of the amendments by the Senate to the bill No. 237, entitled "An act for the better preservation of the records contained in the public offices of the several counties in this commonwealth."

And on the question,

Will the House concur in the amendments?

It was determined in the affirmative. And

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate of the same.

On motion of Mr. Wilson, the amendments by the Senate to the bill No. 218, entitled "An act for the relief of sundry brigade inspectors," were read.

When a motion was made by Mr. Lawson, to postpone the further consideration of the same for the present.

Which was agreed to.

The bill from the Senate, No. 443, entitled "An act relative to the eastern and western penitentiaries," was read the second time.

And the 1st section was considered and agreed to.

The 2d section being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Krepps, to amend the same by striking therefrom these words, "and that the Auditor General be also, and is hereby authorised and directed, in settling and adjusting the accounts of the said commissioners, to make a just and reasonable allowance for the expenses which they have heretofore incurred or may hereafter incur in the performance of their duties, and in visiting and inspecting the works."

And on the question,

Will the House agree so to amend?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Hottenstein and Mr. Evans and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. W. Forster	Mr. G. Miller
Becker	Gebhart	H. Miller
Brown, Lan.	Harrison	J. Miller
Cooper	Irwin	Nicholson
Dillinger	Krepps	Ramsey
Dunlap	Lauman	Ringland
Evans	M'Bride	Wilson
Fackenthall	Matts	Wolfsberger
Farrell		25

NAYS.

Mr. Aughinbaugh	Mr. Good	Mr. R. Miller
Barber	Hergesheimer	Overholzer
Beatty	Hottenstein	Patterson
G. Bell	Ihrle	Pearson
Binder	Knight	Pennypacker
Blair	Lawson	Rahn
Bonner	Lehman	Rankin
Boyd	M'Clure	Shannon
Brown, Allegn.	M'Creery	F. Smith
Burden	M'Ewen	J. R. C. Smith
Cope	M'Reynolds	Snyder
Cummin	M'Sherry	J. Stevens
Cunningham	Madden	Thomas
Denny	Matheys, Mont.	Thompson
Duncan	Mathewson	Woolverton
Ellis	Meredith	Ritner, Sp'r.
W. B. Foster		49

So the question was determined in the negative.

And the section was agreed to.

The 3d section being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Farrell, to postpone the further consideration of the same, together with the bill, until to-morrow.

Which was agreed to.

Adjourned until 3 o'clock this afternoon.

SAME DAY.

Agreeably to leave given,

The House again resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. J. Miller in the chair, on the bill No. 278, entitled "An act to authorise Jacob Crawford, Abel Lee Crawford, Josiah Crawford and James S. Crawford, to erect a dam on the Monongahela river."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with amendments.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Nicholson in the chair, on the bill No. 40, entitled "An act directing the commissioners of Venango county, to raise a sum of money to extinguish a debt due the county of Warren."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with amendments.

On motion of Mr. Cunningham, the said bill was recommitted to Messrs. Woolverton, Overholzer, Krepps, Thomas and Rankin, with instructions to report the same and the amendments in separate bills.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Pearson in the chair, on the bill No. 41, entitled "An act erecting parts of Armstrong and Venango counties into a separate county, to be called Monroe."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with amendments.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Beatty in the chair, on the bill No. 45, entitled "An act to incorporate the stockholders of the Philadelphia Arcade."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill without amendment.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Ramsey in the chair, on the bill No. 48, entitled "An act erecting the east end of Bedford county into a separate county, to be called Jackson."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Leave was granted. And

Ordered, That the committee of the whole sit again on the first Monday of May next.

On motion of Mr. Thomas,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole. Mr. Matts in the chair, on the bill No. 182, entitled "An act to authorise the Governor to incorporate a company for making an artificial road from the borough of Wilkesbarre, in the county of Luzerne, by the way of Solomon's Gap and Mauch Chunk, to the borough of Northampton, in the county of Lehigh."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with amendments.

A motion was made by Mr. Blair, that the said bill be recommended to a select committee, with instructions to report separate bills.

Which was agreed to. And

Ordered, That Messrs. Thomas, Haines, Blair and J. R. C. Smith, be of the committee.

On motion of Mr. Beatty, the rule for going into a committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with, the bill No. 454, entitled an act to change the stile and title of the charter of the German congregation of Zelienople and Harmony, in Butler county," was read the second time.

And the section was considered and agreed to.

When a motion was made by Mr. Barber, that the said bill be committed to a committee of the whole House for the purpose of amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Whereupon, the House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Whitlatch in the chair, on the said bill.

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported that there was not a quorum of members present.

Adjourned until 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.



THURSDAY, March 22, 1827.

The Deputy Secretary of the Commonwealth being introduced, presented a message from the Governor which was read as follows, viz.

To the Senate and House of Representatives of the commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

GENTLEMEN,

I have this day approved and signed the following acts of the General Assembly, and directed the Secretary of the Commonwealth to return them to the Senate, in which they originated, viz.

An act authorising the Governor to incorporate the Mahonoy navigation company.

An act to authorise Samuel Humes, jr. guardian of Fidelia R. Vandyke, to sell and convey certain real estate.

J. ANDW. SHULZE.

Harrisburg, March 22, 1827.

Laid on the table.

Mr. Dunlap presented the petition of John Weiser, of Cumberland county, accompanied with documents, stating his services in the revolutionary war, and praying relief.

Which were referred to the committee on claims.

Mr. Kennedy presented the petition of Hugh Ross, of Northampton county, accompanied with documents, praying for the removal from office of Robert Porter, Esq. President Judge of the 3d. judicial district.

Mr. Buyers presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Lancaster county, praying for the passage of a law laying a tax on dogs in the said county.

Mr. Rahn presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Columbia, Schuylkill and Luzerne counties, praying that a state road may be laid out from Casper Rhoad's, in Columbia county, to Drumheller's tavern, in Luzerne county,

And the said petitions and documents, were

Laid on the table.

A motion was made by Mr. Blair, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That the committee on inland navigation and internal improvement be instructed to consider and report on the propriety of authorising the canal commissioners to build a common bridge, for the passage of travellers, along with the aqueduct or towing path bridge to be built across the Susquehanna near the mouth of Juniata. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

A motion was made by Mr. Dorrance, that when this House adjourns it will adjourn to meet at 8 o'clock this afternoon, for the purpose of considering the bills entitled as follow, viz.

No. 597, "An act to provide for the education of children at the public expense in and near the borough of Harrisburg."

No. 599, "An act for the improvement of the state road from Meadville to the north boundary of the state."

No. 575, "A supplement to the several acts for the inspection of staves and heading."

No. 328, "An act for the relief of William Arnold, late a supervisor of Luzerne township, in the county of Fayette."

No. 79, "An act to repeal An act for laying out a state road from the borough of Indiana, by way of port Johnson, to intersect the turnpike at or near Murraysville, in Westmoreland county."

No. 361, "An act to authorise the erection of fish dams and fish baskets in the rivers Susquehanna and Juniata and their branches, under certain regulations and restrictions."

No. 258. "An act for the relief of the Chambersburg Academy."

No. 339. "An act repealing so much of An act authorising the election of additional constables, in certain townships therein mentioned, as relates to the borough of Blairsville."

The motion being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Bonner, to amend the same by striking therefrom all that follows "afternoon," and inserting in lieu thereof, "for the consideration of private bills."

A motion was then made by Mr. Lehman, to postpone the amendment, together with the motion, for the present.

Which was disagreed to. And

The amendment was disagreed to.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

A division of the question was called for by Mr. Brown of Allegheny.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to meet at 5 o'clock this afternoon?

It was determined in the affirmative.

And the second part of the motion was disagreed to.

A motion was made by Mr. Gebhart, that Monday afternoon next, be appropriated to the consideration of bills from the Senate.

Which was disagreed to.

On motion of Mr. Fackenthall,

Ordered, That this House will meet at 5 o'clock on the afternoons of Tuesdays and Thursdays, until otherwise ordered.

On motion of Mr. Dillinger,

Ordered, That an item of unfinished business relative to the education of the poor in Lehigh county, be referred to Messrs. Dillinger, Ihrie and Dorrance.

Mr. Woolverton, from the committee to whom was, on yesterday, committed the bill No. 40, entitled "An act directing the commissioners of Venango county, to raise a sum of money to extinguish a debt due the county of Warren," reported the same together with the bills entitled as follow, viz.

No. 70, "An act authorising the commissioners of Lancaster county, to sue in the name and style of the commissioners of Lancaster county, and prescribing that no person subject to county rates and levies, shall be disqualified for that reason from being judge, juror, or witness in such suit."

No. 328, "An act for the relief of William Arnold, late a supervisor of Luzerne township, in the county of Fayette."

No. 302, "An act to change the time of meeting of the Auditors of Luzerne county."

No. 256, "An act authorising a re-examination and settlement of the accounts of Joseph M'Cullough, a supervisor in Jefferson county."

Laid on the table.

Mr. Thomas, from the committee to whom was, on yesterday, committed the bill No 182, entitled "An act to authorise the Governor to incorporate a company for making an artificial road from the borough of Wilkesbarre, in the county of Luzerne, by the way of Solomon's Gap and Mauch Chunk, to the borough of Northampton in the county of Lehigh," reported the same together with the bills entitled as follow, viz.

No. 421, "An act to incorporate the Oxford rail road company of Chester county."

No. 347, "An act to increase the number of managers in the Huntingdon, Cambria and Indiana turnpike road company, and for other purposes."

No. 275, "An act to erect the town of Alexandria, in the county of Huntingdon into a borough."

No. 259, "An act to incorporate the Philadelphia rail way dock company."

Laid on the table.

Mr. M'Reynolds, from the committee to whom was, on yesterday, committed the bill No. 230, entitled "A supplement to the act, entitled An act authorising the Governor to incorporate the Susquehanna and Lehigh canal company," reported the same together with the bills entitled as follow, viz.

No. 333, "A supplement to the act, entitled "An act to authorise the Governor to incorporate two companies to make an artificial road from Potter's old fort, in Centre county, to the Juniata turnpike road at any point between the Yellow Springs and Water street, in Huntingdon county."

No. 391, "A supplement to the act, entitled An act authorising the Governor to incorporate the Milesburg and Smethsport turnpike road company."

No. 222, "An act appropriating a sum of money for opening a state road from Pittsburg to Uniontown."

No. 167, "An act to appropriate a sum of money to build a bridge across the Conodoguinet creek, in Cumberland county."

No. 54, "A supplement to the act, entitled An act making appropriations for certain internal improvements, and for other purposes."

No. 249, "An act to aid in the repairing the state road from Carlisle to fort Littleton."

No. 213, "An act to improve a certain public road crossing Flint Hill, in Northampton county."

Which bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

The bill No. 451, entitled "An act to provide for the further extension of the Pennsylvania canal," was read the third time.

And on the question,
Shall the same pass?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Bonner and Mr. Hottenstein, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Atkinson
Beatty
G. Bell
Binder
Blair
Bonsall
Boyd
Brown, Allegh.
Burden
Cummin
Cunningham
Denny
Dorrance
Duncan
Eldred
Ellis
Fackenthall
W. Forster
W. B. Foster

Mr. Haines
Harrison
Hergesheimer
Ihrle
Kennedy
Kerr
Knight
Lawson
Lehman
McClure
McCreery
McEwen
McReynolds
Madden
Martin
Matheys, Cam.
Mathewson
Meredith
J. Miller

Mr. R. Miller
Patterson
Pearson
Pennypacker
Petrikin
Rankin
Ringland
Scudder
Shannon
J. R. C. Smith
Snyder
P. Stephens
Thomas
Thompson
Whitlatch
Wilson
Wise
Woolverton
Ritner, Sp'r. 57

NAYS.

Mr. Agnew
Alter
Aughinbaugh
Barber
Becker
Bell, Leb.
Bell, West.
Bonner
Boyer
Brown, Lan.
Buyers
Cooper
Cope

Mr. Dillinger
Dunlap
Evans
Farrell
Gebhart
Good
Hottenstein
Irwin
James
Krepps
Lauman
McBride
McSherry

Mr. Matheys, Mont.
Matts
H. Miller
Nicholson
Overholzer
Rahn
Ramsey
F. Smith
J. Stevens
Tutwiler
Walker
Wolfersbrger
Wolford 39

So the question was determined in the affirmative. And
Ordered, That the Clerk present the said bill to the Senate for concurrence.

The bill No. 85, entitled "An act to establish a bank in the county of Lebanon," was read the third time.

When a motion was made by Mr. Ellis, that the said bill be committed to a committee of the whole House.

Which was disagreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Ellis, to postpone the bill for the present.

And on the question,

Will the House agree so to postpone?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Ellis and Mr. Boyer, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Binder	Mr. Fackenthall	Mr. Pennypacker
Bonsall	Good	Petrikín
Boyd	Harrison	Ramsey
Boyer	Lauman	Shannon
Cunningham	M'Sherry	J. R. C. Smith
Dillinger	Matts	Thomas
Ellis	Meredith	Thompson 21

NAYS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. Farrell	Mr. H. Miller
Alter	W. Forster	Nicholson
Atkinson	W. B. Foster	Overholzer
Aughinbaugh	Hergesheimer	Pearson
Becker	Ihrle	Rankin
G. Bell	Irwin	Ringland
Bell, Leb.	James	F. Smith
Bell, West.	Kennedy	Snyder
Blair	Kerr	J. Stevens
Bonner	Lawson	Tutwiler
Brown, Allegh.	Lehman	Walker
Buyers	M'Clure	Whitlatch
Cooper	M'Creery	Wilson
Cummin	M'Ewen	Wise
Denny	M'Reynolds	Wollersberger
Duncan	Madden	Wolford
Dunlap	Mathews, Cam.	Woolverton
Eldred	Matheys, Mont.	Ritner, Sp'r.
Evans	Mathewson	56

So the question was determined in the negative.

And on the question,

Shall the bill pass?

It was determined in the affirmative. And

Ordered, That the Clerk present the said bill to the Senate for concurrence.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, presented for concurrence the bills entitled as follow, viz.

No. 518, "A supplement to an act, entitled An act for the improvement of the state."

No. 519, "An act for the relief of Hugh Means, a soldier of the revolution."

No. 520, "A supplement to an act, entitled An act to provide for the education of children at the public expense, within the city and county of Philadelphia."

No. 521, "An act to enable John Saeger, administrator de bonis non &c. of Peter Miller, deceased, to make title to certain real estate."

And the said bills were read, and
Laid on the table

He returned the bills entitled as follow, viz.

No. 100, "A supplement to the act, entitled An act limiting the time during which judgments shall be a lien on real estate and suits may be brought against the sureties of public officers."

No. 189, "An act to perpetuate testimony in certain cases, and for other purposes."

And informed,

That the Senate have passed said bills with amendments, in which the concurrence of the House of Representatives is requested:

The amendments by the Senate to the bill No. 100, were read.

And being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. J. Miller, to postpone the same until to-morrow.

Which was disagreed to.

And the amendments were concurred in. And

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate of the same.

The amendments by the Senate to the bill No. 189, were read, considered and concurred in. And

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate of the same.

The Clerk of the Senate also presented an extract from their journal, which was read as follows, viz.

"IN THE SENATE,

MARCH 22, 1827.

On motion,

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives, That the Legislature will, on Tuesday the 10th day of April next, adjourn *sine die*.

Be it further resolved, That the following rule, when adopted by the House of Representatives, be a rule to regulate the transmission and reception of bills between the two Houses during the present session, to be dispensed with only on the concurrence of two-thirds of the members present in each, viz. That no bill or resolution or any thing in the nature of a bill or resolution, shall be transmitted from or received by either House within eight days of the time which shall have been agreed upon by both Houses for the final adjournment of the Legislature.

Laid on the table.

Adjourned until 3'clock this afternoon.

SAME DAY.

A motion was made that the House adjourn.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. J. R. C. Smith and Mr. Beatty, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Alter	Mr. Hergesheimer	Mr. Ramsey
Binder	Knight	Ringland
Bonsall	Lauman	J. R. C. Smith
Brown, Allegh.	Lawson	Thompson
Burden	M'Bride	Walker
Dillinger	Madden	Wilson
Fackenthall	H. Miller	Wolford
W. Forster	Pearson	Ritner, Sp'r.
W. B. Foster		

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NAYS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. Duncan	Mr. Mathewson
Barber	Dunlap	G. Miller
Beatty	Gebhart	J. Miller
Becker	Good	R. Miller
G. Bell	Harrison	Overholzer
Bonner	Hottenstein	Pennypacker
Boyer	Ihrle	Shannon
Brown, Lan.	Kerr	F. Smith
Buyers	M'Reynolds	J. Stevens
Cope	M'Sherry	Whitlatch
Cunningham	Mathews, Cam.	Woltersberger
Dorrance		

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So the question was determined in the negative.

On motion of Mr. Petrikin,

The House resumed the consideration of the amendments by Senate to the bill No. 218, postponed on yesterday, entitled "An act for the relief of sundry brigade inspectors."

When a motion was made by Mr. Petrikin, that the House non-concur in the said amendments.

Which was disagreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Ringland, that the House concur in the said amendments.

Which was agreed to. And

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate of the same.

The bill No. 371, entitled "An act further to continue An act to incorporate the subscribers to the bank of Pennsylvania, and for other purposes," was read the third time.

And on the question,
Shall the same pass?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Farrell and Mr. Wise,
and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. Ellis	Mr. Mathewson
Alter	Evans	Matts
Atkinson	Fackenthall	Meredith
Aughinbaugh	W. Forster	G. Miller
Barber	W. B. Foster	H. Miller
Beatty	Gebhart	J. Miller
Becker	Good	R. Miller
G. Bell	Harrison	Overholzer
Bell, Leb.	Hergesheimer	Pearson
Binder	Hottenstein	Pennypacker
Blair	Ihrle	Ramsey
Bonner	James	Rankin
Bonsall	Kerr	Ringland
Boyd	Knight	Shannon
Boyer	Krepps	P. Stephens
Brown, Allegh.	Lauman	Thomas
Buyers	Lawson	Thompson
Cope	M'Bride	Whitlatch
Cummin	M'Clure	Wilson
Denny	M'Creery	Wise
Dillinger	M'Ewen	Woltersberger
Dorrance	M'Sherry	Wolford
Duncan	Madden	Woolverton
Dunlap	Mathews, Cam.	Ritner, Sp'r.
Eldred	Matheys, Mont.	74

NAYS.

Mr. Cooper	Mr. F. Smith	Mr. Walker
Farrell	Tutwiler	5

So the question was determined in the affirmative. And

Ordered, That the Clerk present the said bill to the Senate for concurrence.

The bill No. 68, entitled "An act to provide for the settlement of the concerns of the Farmers' and Mechanic's bank of Greencastle," was read the third time and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Dorrance,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Krepps in the chair, on the resolution No. 506, relative to the creation of water power near Harrisburg.

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Leave was granted. And

Ordered, That the committee of the whole sit again on Monday the 26th instant.

The bill No. 273, entitled "An act to authorise Jacob Crawford, Abel Lee Crawford, Josiah Crawford and James S. Crawford, to erect a dam on the Monongahela river," was read the second time.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the first section?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. McCreery and Mr. Krepps, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. Hergesheimer	Mr. Overholzer
Barber	Irwin	Pearson
Becker	Kerr	Ringland
Bell, West.	Krepps	F. Smith
Bonner	M'Bride	J. R. C. Smith
Boyd	M'Clure	J. Stevens
Brown, Ian.	M'Reynolds	Tutwiler
Cooper	Mathewson	Walker
Duncan	Meredith	Whitlatch
Dunlap	H. Miller	Wolfersberger
Farrell	J. Miller	Wolford
W. Forster	Nicholson	Woolverton 56

NAYS.

Mr. After	Mr. Denny	Mr. Mathews, Cam.
Atkinson	Dillinger	Matheys, Mont.
Aughinbaugh	Fackenthall	Matts
Beatty	Good	Pennypacker
G. Bell	Harrison	Ramsey
Binder	Ihrle	Rankin
Blair	James	Shannon
Bonsall	Knight	Thompson
Boyer	Lawson	Wilson
Brown, Allegh.	M'Creery	Wise
Cope	M'Ewen	Ritner, Sp'r.
Cummin	Madden	55

So the question was determined in the affirmative.

The remaining sections and title were severally considered and agreed to.

When a motion was made by Mr. Blair, that the said bill be re-committed to a select committee, with instructions to report separate bills.

Which was agreed to. And

Ordered, That Messrs. Krepps, Wilson and Denny, be of the committee.

On motion of Mr. Meredith;

The House resumed the consideration of the resolution relative to conducting the business between the two Houses, postponed on the 23d January last.

And the question recurring,

Will the House agree to reconsider the vote on the 1st, 2d and 3d resolutions.

It was determined in the affirmative.

The 1st resolution being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Meredith, to amend the same by striking therefrom, "and shall be acted upon within eight days, by the House receiving the same."

Which was agreed to.

And the resolution as amended was adopted.

The 2d resolution was considered and adopted.

The 3d and 4th resolutions were severally considered and disagreed to. And

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate of the same.

The House resumed the second reading of the bill from the Senate, No. 443, entitled "An act relative to the eastern and western penitentiaries."

And the 5d section recurring, was considered and agreed to.

When, on motion,

The House adjourned until 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.



FRIDAY, March 23, 1827.

The deputy secretary of the Commonwealth being introduced, presented a message, (No. 266,) from the Governor, accompanied with a report, (No. 267,) from the Adjutant General, and documents (No. 268 and 269.)

Which were read, and

Laid on the table.

Mr. Overholzer presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Earl and Cocalico townships, Lancaster county, praying that parts of said townships may be erected into a separate election district, and the elections thereof held at the house of John Gross.

Which was referred to the committee on election districts.

Mr. Beatty presented the petition of Catharine M'Carvery, of Dauphin county, accompanied with a document, stating the services of her late husband, James M'Carvery, in the revolutionary war, and praying relief.

Which were referred to the committee on claims.

Mr. J. Stevens presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Montgomery county, praying for an appropriation in aid of the erection of a bridge across the river Schuylkill, at Norristown.

Which was

Laid on the table.

Mr. J. Stevens obtained leave to withdraw the petition and documents of Samuel Detwiler.

Mr. Boyer, from the committee on election districts, reported a bill,

No. 522, entitled "An act regulating election districts."

Which bill was read, and made the order of the day for Friday the 30th inst.

The House resumed the second reading of the bill from the Senate, No. 445, entitled "An act relative to the eastern and western penitentiaries."

When the title was considered and agreed to. And

Ordered, That the bill be prepared for the third reading.

The bill No. 41, entitled "An act erecting parts of Armstrong and Venango counties into a separate county, to be called Monroe," was read the second time.

And the first section being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Thompson, to postpone the further consideration of the same, together with the bill, until the first Monday of May.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Rankin and Mr. Lawson, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Alter	Mr. Irwin	Mr. R. Miller
Becker	James	Nicholson
Blair	Lauman	Pennypacker
Boyer	M'Bride	Ramsey
Cunningham	M'Creery	Ringland
Dunlap	M'Sherry	Snyder
Ellis	Madden	Thomas
Evans	Martin	Thompson
Fackenthall	Matheys, Mont.	Tutwiler
W. Forster	Matts	Wilson
Gebhart	Meredith	Wolford
Haines	G. Miller	Ritner, Sp'r.
Harrison		

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NAYS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. Bell, Leb.	Mr. Burden
Atkinson	Bell, West.	Buyers
Aughinbaugh	Binder	Cooper
Barber	Bonner	Cope
Beatty	Bonsall	Cuinmin
G. Bell	Brown, Lan.	Denny

YEA'S.

Mr. Dillinger	Mr. Lawson	Mr. Rahn
Dorrance	Lehman	Rankin
Farrell	McEwen	Shannon
W. B. Foster	Mathews, Cam.	F. Smith
Good	Mathewson	J. R. C. Smith
Hergesheimer	H. Miller	P. Stephens
Hottenstein	Overholzer	Walker
Ihrig	Patterson	Wise
Kennedy	Pearson	Wolfersberger
Knight	Petrikina	Woolverton

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So the question was determined in the negative.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the first section?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Tutwiler and Mr. Thompson, and are as follow, viz.

YEA'S.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. Denny	Mr. H. Miller
Atkinson	Dillinger	Overholzer
Aughinbaugh	Duncan	Patterson
Beatty	W. B. Foster	Pearson
G. Bell	Hergesheimer	Rankin
Bell, Leb.	Hottenstein	Shannon
Bell, West.	Ihrig	F. Smith
Bonner	Kennedy	J. R. C. Smith
Brown, Lan.	Knight	Snyder
Burden	Lawson	P. Stephens
Buyers	Lehman	Walker
Cooper	McEwen	Wise
Cummin	Mathewson	Woolverton

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NAYS.

Mr. Alter	Mr. Gebhart	Mr. Meredith
Barber	Good	G. Miller
Becker	Haines	R. Miller
Binder	Harrison	Nicholson
Blair	Irwin	Pennypacker
Bonsall	James	Petrikina
Boyer	Krepps	Rahn
Cope	Lauman	Ramsey
Cunningham	McBride	Ringland
Dorrance	McCreery	Thomas
Dunlap	McSherry	Thompson
Ellis	Madden	Tutwiler
Evans	Martin	Wilson
Fackenthall	Mathews, Cam.	Wolfersberger
Farrell	Matheys, Mont.	Wolford
W. Forster	Matts	Ritner, Sp'r.

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So the question was determined in the negative.

On leave given.

Mr. Petrikin, from the committee appointed on the complaint against justice Phelps, made a report, (No. 266,) accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to draft an address to the Governor, requesting him to remove the said Alexander C. Phelps from his office of justice of the peace of Susquehanna county.

Laid on the table.

On leave given,

Mr. Krepps, from the committee to whom was, on yesterday, committed the bill No. 273, entitled "An act to authorise Jacob Crawford, Abel Lee Crawford, Josiah Crawford and James S. Crawford to erect a dam on the Monongahela river," reported the same, together with the bill No. 124, entitled "An act to authorise Joseph M'Cune to erect swinging gates or racks across the south-west branch of the Frankstown branch of the river Juniata."

Laid on the table.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, presented for concurrence the bill No. 523, entitled "An act relating to the escheated estates of John M'Gray and John Weemly."

Which bill was read, and

Laid on the table.

He returned the bill No. 69, entitled "An act authorising James Watson to sell and convey a tract of land in Bedford county, of which Samuel Moore died seized."

And informed,

That the Senate have passed said bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Harrison,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Fackenthal in the chair, on the bill No. 118, entitled "An act relating to lotteries and lottery brokers."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

Leave was granted. And

Ordered, That the committee of the whole sit again on Monday the 26th inst.

On motion of Mr. Ellis,

The House resumed the second reading of the bill from the Senate, No. 242, postponed on the 2d inst. entitled "An act abolishing the Middle, Southern and Lancaster districts of the supreme court, and establishing one at Harrisburg."

And the first section recurring,

A motion was made by Mr. Irwin, to amend the same by striking therefrom these words,

"That for the purpose of carrying into effect an act entitled 'A further supplement to an act to alter the judiciary system of this commonwealth,' passed the 8th day of April, 1826, it shall be the duty of two of the judges of the supreme court, in addi-

tion to the time in which circuit courts are now directed to be held, during the terms of the supreme court, to hold circuit in such counties as shall be agreed on by the judges of the supreme court : *Provided*, That it shall be the duty of one of the judges of the supreme court to attend and hold the July term of the said court in the eastern district, as at present provided by law," and inserting in lieu thereof these words, "that the middle, southern and Lancaster districts of the supreme court are hereby abolished, and a district, to be called the Central district, be and the same is hereby established, which shall be composed of the counties now embraced in the middle, southern and Lancaster districts, and there shall be a prothonotary appointed in the said Central district, who shall take and subscribe the like oath or affirmation, and give the like bonds as are usually required from the present prothonotaries of the supreme courts, and shall perform the same duties in the said district, and be entitled to demand and receive similar fees as are allowed by law for like services to the present prothonotaries of the supreme court, and in like manner be subject to account for the same; and it shall be the duty of the judges to hold one term annually at Harrisburg, in the said district, to commence on the first Monday of June, and continue seven weeks if necessary, and also to hold an adjourned court whenever the business shall require it.

And on the question,
Will the the House agree so to amend?

On motion,

The House adjourned until 3 o'clock this afternoon.

SAME DAY.

The bill No. 45, entitled "An act to incorporate the stockholders of the Philadelphia Arcade," was read the second time.

And the 1st, 2d and 3d sections were severally considered and agreed to.

The 4th section being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. J. R. C. Smith, to amend the same by adding thereto the following proviso, viz.

And provided further, That each and every stockholder shall be held liable in his individual capacity, for debts contracted at the time of his being a stockholder and remaining due and unpaid by the corporation, and that on judgment being rendered against said company by any competent authority, execution may issue against said company, to be levied on the goods and chattels and real estate of said company, or on the estate of any individual stockholder in said company.

And on the question,

Will the House agree so to amend?

A motion was made by Mr. Binder, to postpone the question, together with the bill, for the present.

Which was disagreed to.

A motion was then made Mr. Meredith, to postpone the question, together with the bill, until Monday next.

Which was agreed to.

The bill No. 40, entitled "An act directing the commissioners of Venango county, to raise a sum of money to extinguish a debt due the county of Warren," was read the second time.

And the 1st section was considered and agreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Atkinson, to amend the bill by inserting the following new section, viz.

Section 2. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That the judges of the court of quarter sessions of the county of Venango, be and they are hereby authorised and required, on the application of the commissioners of the county of Warren or of the commissioners of the county of Venango, to appoint three competent persons as referees, from either of the counties of Crawford, Mercer, Butler or Armstrong, whose duty it shall be to settle, liquidate and adjust all matters of account in dispute between the said counties of Mercer and Venango which may be submitted to them, and make out duplicate copies of their award, one copy whereof shall be filed in the office of the prothonotary of each respective county, which award shall be final and conclusive.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the new section?

It was determined in the affirmative.

The remaining section and title were severally considered and agreed to. And

Ordered, That the bill be transcribed for the third reading.

On motion of Mr. Scudder,

The House resumed the second reading of the bill No. 228, postponed on the 9th inst. entitled "An act to lay out and improve a road on the east side of the Susquehanna river, from the borough of Sunbury, through Georgetown, to Rodgers' ferry, and for other purposes."

And the question recurring,

Shall the bill be transcribed for the third reading?

A motion was made by Mr. J. Miller, that the said bill be re-committed to a committee of the whole House for the purpose of amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Whereupon,

The House again resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Fackenthal in the chair, on the said bill.

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with amendments.

The bill being again before the House.

And the question recurring,

Shall the bill be transcribed for the third reading?

A motion was made by Mr. Harrison, to postpone the question, together with the bill, indefinitely.

And on the question,

Will the House agree so to postpone?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Harrison and Mr. M'Creery, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Binder	Mr. Haines	Mr. Matheys, Mont.
Blair	Harrison	Matts
Bonsall	Hergesheimer	Meredith
Brown, Allegh.	Hottenstein	G. Miller,
Cunningham	Kennedy	R. Miller
Denny	Kerr	Pearson
Dillinger	Knight	Pennypacker
Evans	M'Creery	Ramsey
Fackenthall	M'Sherry	Ringland
W. B. Foster	Martin	Thompson
Gebhart	Mathews, Cam.	Wilson

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NAYS.

Mr. Alter	Mr. Dunlap	Mr. Petrikin
Atkinson	Ellis	Rahn
Barber,	Farrell	Rankin
Beatty	Good	Scudder
Becker	Ihrle	Shannon
G. Bell	Irwin	F. Smith
Bell, Leb.	Krepps	Snyder
Bell, West.	Lauman	J. Stevens
Bonner	Lawson	Thomas
Boyer	M'Bride	Tutwiler
Brown, Lar.	M'Clure	Walker
Burden	Madden	Whitlatch
Cooper	Mathewson	Woltersberger
Cope	H. Miller	Wolford
Cummin	J. Miller	Woolverton
Dorrance	Nicholson	Ritner, Sp'r.
Duncan	Overholzer	

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So the question was determined in the negative.

A motion was then made by Mr. Krepps, that the bill be committed to a select committee, with instructions to report separate bills.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

A motion was made by Mr. Ringland, to postpone the question, together with the bill, until this day week.

Which was agreed to.

Adjourned until 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

SATURDAY, March 24, 1827.

Mr. Thomas presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Union township, Luzerne county, praying for the repeal of the act appropriating the taxes on unseated lands in the said township, in aid of improving a certain road therein mentioned.

Which was referred to Messrs. Thomas, Bonsall and Petrikin.

Mr. Barber presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Washington and Charlestown, Lancaster county, against the erection of the said towns into a borough.

Mr. J. Miller presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Wheatfield township, Perry county, praying that the place of holding their general elections may be changed to the school house in Petersburg.

Mr. J. Miller presented two remonstrances from sundry inhabitants of Wheatfield township, Perry county, against changing the place of holding their general elections.

Mr. Knight presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Oxford and Lower Dublin townships, Philadelphia county, praying for certain alterations in the poor laws.

And the said petitions and remonstrances were laid on the table.

Mr. Petrikin presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Centre county, praying for an appropriation in aid of improving the navigation of Fishing creek.

Which was referred to Messrs. Petrikin, Woolverton and Farrell.

A motion was made by Mr. Meredith, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That the Clerk be directed to purchase copies of Gordon's digest of the laws of the United States, for the use of the House, at a price not exceeding seven dollars per copy.

And on motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, and being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Meredith, to amend the same by filling the blank with "thirty."

Which was disagreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Haines, to fill the blank with "twenty."

Which was disagreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Rahn, to fill the blank with "ten."

Which was agreed to.

And the resolution as amended was adopted.

A motion was made by Mr. Denny, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That a committee be appointed, with instructions to inquire into the expediency of making, by law, provision for the support of the government of the state penitentiary, in the county of Allegheny, and the prisoners therein, for the ensuing year, with leave to report by bill or otherwise.

And on motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted. And

Ordered, That Messrs. Denny, Meredith and Irwin be a committee for the purpose therein expressed.

Mr. Wolford and Mr. Good obtained leave of absence for a few days from Monday next.

Mr. M'Reynolds obtained leave of absence for a few days.

Mr. Dillinger, from the committee appointed to compare bills and present them to the Governor for his approbation, made report, which was read as follows, viz.

That in conjunction with a similar committee from the Senate, they have compared and on yesterday presented to the Governor for his approbation, the bills entitled as follow, to wit:

A supplement to the act, entitled An act limiting the time during which judgments shall be a lien on real estate and suits may be brought against sureties of public officers.

An act to provide for taking testimony in certain cases, and for other purposes.

An act for the relief of sundry brigade inspectors."

Laid on the table.

Mr. Cunningham, from the committee to whom was committed, on the 16th inst. the resolution from the Senate, No. 505, relative to the services of Governor Carroll in the late war, reported the same with amendments.

Mr. J. Miller, from the committee to whom were referred sundry petitions on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill, No. 524, entitled "An act appointing commissioners to view and lay out a state road from Landisburg to Carlisle, by way of Waggoner's gap, and to authorise the said commissioners to open and improve the same."

Mr. M'Clure, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 5th instant, a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill, No. 525, entitled "An act for the improvement of the navigation of the east branch or first fork of Sinnamahoning creek."

Which bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

Mr. Dillinger, from the committee to whom were referred the petitions relative to annexing a part of Bucks county to Lehigh county, made a report, (No. 271,) accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That the subject be recommended to the early attention of the next Legislature. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

The bill No. 40, entitled "An act directing the commissioners of Venango county to raise a sum of money, to extinguish a debt due the county of Warren," was read the third time, and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

The bill from the Senate, No. 443, entitled "An act relative to the eastern and western penitentiaries," was read the third time and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk return the said bill to the Senate, and request their concurrence in the amendments thereto by this House.

On motion of Mr. Irwin,

The resolution attached to the report of the committee appointed to inquire into the conduct of judge Franks, read on the 7th instant, was read the second time.

And being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Meredith, to postpone the same for the purpose of introducing the following, viz.

Resolved, That, in the opinion of this House, an address for the removal of any of the judges of this commonwealth, ought not to be carried to the Governor, under the second clause of the 2d section of the 5th article of the constitution of this state, unless for some reasonable cause which is not sufficient ground of impeachment, and that, for misdemeanors in office, the said judges ought to be proceeded against by impeachment alone.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

A motion was made by Mr. Bonner, to postpone the question, together with the resolution, until Monday next.

Which was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Lehman,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Ringland in the chair, on the resolution from the Senate, relative to the final adjournment of the Legislature.

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported progress, and asked leave to sit again.

Leave was granted. And

Ordered, That the committee of the whole sit again on Monday, the 2d of April next.

On motion of Mr. Meredith,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. James in the chair, on the resolution from the Senate, No. 511, relative to the penal code.

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the resolution negatived.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the report of the committee of the whole?

It was determined in the affirmative.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, returned the bills and resolution entitled as follow, viz.

No. 106, "A supplement to an act, entitled An act for establishing and building a bridge across the river Lehigh, at Bethlehem, in the county of Northampton, passed April 5d, A. D. 1792."

No. 205, "An act to enable the Governor to incorporate a company to make a turnpike road from the northern termination of the York and Conewaga turnpike road, to the west end of the Harrisburg bridge."

No. 236, "An act to authorise Philip J. King, of York, to sell a certain house and lot of ground, situate in the borough of York, and to execute a title for the same, and to enable Benjamin Moser and Christian Moser, administrators of Dr. John Moser, deceased, to convey certain real estate."

No. 290, "An act to authorise the trustees of Athens township, in Bradford county, to convey certain lands."

No. 417, "An act authorising the guardian of the minor children of John E. Latta, to sell and convey certain real estate."

No. 419, "An act authorising John Hunter, of the county of Delaware, to sell and convey certain real estate."

No. 429, "An act to authorise the trustees of the Methodist meeting house, in Germantown, in the county of Philadelphia, to dispose of the same."

No. 501, "Resolution relative to infant schools in the first district of Pennsylvania"

No. 170, "An act authorising the administrators of Henry Hurst, deceased, to sell and convey real estate."

No. 310, "A further supplement to the act, entitled An act to authorise the Governor to incorporate a company for erecting a bridge over the Susquehanna, at the town of Danville."

No. 404, "An act to enable the guardians of the minor children of Thomas J. Paschall and Mary H. Morris, to sell and lease, on improvement, certain land in Schuylkill county."

And informed, that the Senate have passed said bills and resolution, the eight first without and the three latter with amendments, in which the concurrence of the House of Representatives is requested.

The amendments by the Senate to the said bills were read considered and concurred in. And

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate of the same.

The Clerk of the Senate further informed, that the Senate have concurred in the amendments by the House of Representatives, to the amendments by the Senate to the bill from the House of Representatives, No. 237, entitled "An act for the better preservation of the records contained in the public offices of the several counties of this commonwealth."

The House resumed the second reading of the bill from the Senate, No. 242, entitled "An act abolishing the Middle, Southern and Lancaster districts of the supreme court, and establishing one at Harrisburg."

And the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the amendment to the first section?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. F. Smith and Mr. W. Forster, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Alter	Mr. Eldred	Mr. Meredith
Bell Leb.	Haines	J. Miller
Blair	Harrison	R. Miller
Bonner	Ihrie	Ramsey
Bonsall	Irwin	Ringland
Boyer	Kennedy	Shannon
Brown, Allegh.	Lauman	J. Stevens
Cunningham	Lehman	Thompson
Denny	M'Creery	Wilson
Dillinger	M'Ewen	Woolverton
Dorrance	M'Sherry	Ritner, <i>Sp'r.</i>
Dunlap	Martin	

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NAYS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. Fackenthall	Mr. Nicholson
Atkinson	Farrell	Overholzer
Aughinbaugh	W. Forster	Patterson
Barber	W. B. Foster	Pearson
Beatty	Gebhart	Rahn
Becker	Hergesheimer	Rankin
G. Bell	Hottenstein	Scudder
Bell, West.	James	F. Smith
Binder	Kerr	J. R. C. Smith
Brown, Lan.	Krepps	Snyder
Buyers	Lawson	Thomas
Cooper	M'Bride	Tutwiler
Cope	M'Clure	Walker
Cummin	Madden	Whitlatch
Ellis	Mathews, Cam.	Wise
Evans	G. Miller	

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So the question was determined in the negative.

A motion was then made by Mr. Meredith, to amend the section by striking from the 7th line "two of the," and inserting in lieu thereof, "the two younger."

Which was disagreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Ellis, to amend the section by striking from the 7th line "judges," and inserting in lieu thereof, "associate justices."

Which was agreed to.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the first section as amended?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Meredith and Mr. Wise, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. Ellis	Mr. Matts
Alter	Evans	G. Miller
Atkinson	Fackenthall	Nicholson
Aughinbaugh	Farrell	Overholzer
Barber	W. Forster	Patterson
Beatty	W. B. Foster	Pearson
Becker	Gebhart	Ramsey
G. Bell	Hergesheimer	Rankin
Bell, Leb.	Hottenstein	Ringland
Bell, West.	Ihrle	Scudder
Blair	James	Shannon
Boyer	Kennedy	F. Smith
Brown, Allegh.	Kerr	Snyder
Brown, Lan.	Krepps	J. Stevens
Buyers	Lawson	Thomas
Cooper	M'Bride	Tutwiler
Cope	M'Clure	Walker
Cummin	M'Creery	Whitlatch
Denny	M'Sherry	Wilson
Dillinger	Madden	Wise
Dorrance	Mathews, Cam.	Woolverton
Dunlap	Mathewson	Ritner, Sp ^r .
Eldred		

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NAYS.

Mr. Binder	Mr. Irwin	Mr. Meredith
Bonner	Lauman	J. Miller
Bonsall	Lehman	R. Miller
Cunningham	M'Ewen	J. R. C. Smith
Haines	Martin	Thompson

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So the question was determined in the affirmative.

A motion was then made by Mr. Ellis, further to amend the bill, by adding thereto the following new section, viz.

Section 2. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That the Supreme Court sitting in bank, at any of the terms of the court, may order and direct the times of holding the circuit courts, for which provision may not have been made by the Supreme Court at the March and December terms, and shall, upon making such order, or upon making such order at the March and December terms, cause the same to be published in one newspaper of the counties, respectively, in which the circuit court shall be so directed to be held, at least thirty days before the time ordered for holding the circuit courts in the several counties respectively; and so much of the 2d section of the act of the 20th

March, 1799, entitled "An act to enable the justices of the Supreme Court to hold circuit courts within this commonwealth," as makes it the duty of the Supreme Court to cause the same publication to be made in two newspapers of the city of Philadelphia, is hereby repealed.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the new section?

It was determined in the affirmative.

The title was considered and agreed to, being amended so as to read as follow, viz. "A further supplement to an act to alter the judiciary system of this commonwealth." And

Ordered, That the bill be prepared for the third reading.

Adjourned until 9 o'clock on Monday morning next.



MONDAY, March 26, 1827.

The deputy Secretary of the Commonwealth being introduced, presented a message from the Governor, which was read as follows, viz.

To the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

GENTLEMEN,

I have this day approved and signed the following acts of the General Assembly, and directed the Secretary of the Commonwealth to return them to the House of Representatives, in which they originated, viz.

A supplement to the act, entitled An act limiting the time during which judgments shall be a lien on real estate, and suits may be brought against the sureties of public officers.

An act to provide for taking testimony in certain cases, and for other purposes.

An act for the relief of sundry brigade inspectors.

J. ANDW. SHULZE.

Harrisburg, March 26, 1827.

Laid on the table.

Mr. Atkinson presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of the borough of Meadville, Crawford county, praying for authority to elect an additional constable.

Which was referred to Messrs. Atkinson, Kennedy and M^r.-Bride.

Mr. Cooper presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of York county, praying for certain alterations in the act directing the recovery of the principal and interest due to the commonwealth, from persons holding lands by virtue of locations or other office title, issued from or under the proprietary government.

Mr. R. Miller presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Coventry township, Chester county, against changing the place of holding their general elections.

Mr. Boyer presented a remonstrance from the president of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Pennsylvania, against the passage of the bill to authorise the heirs and legal representatives of George Frey, deceased, to take possession of his real estate.

Mr. Shannon presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Greene township, Beaver county, praying that the place of holding their general elections may be changed to the house of Elizabeth Cross, in Hookstown.

And the said petitions and remonstrances were
Laid on the table.

Messrs. Knight, Pennypacker H. Miller and Matheys of Montgomery obtained leave of absence for a few days

Mr. Rahn obtained leave of absence for a few days from Saturday next.

Mr. Becker obtained leave of absence for a few days from Thursday next.

Mr. Lehman from the committee on inland navigation and internal improvement, made a report, (No. 272,) relative to a water saving lock, accompanied with the following resolution, viz

Resolved, That this House recommends the model of a water saving lock, invented by Daniel Townsend, of Beaver county, to the particular examination of the canal commissioners. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

Mr. Lehman, from the committee on inland navigation and internal improvement, reported a bill,

No. 526, entitled "An act incorporating the Pennsylvania and Ohio canal company."

Which bill was read, and made the order of the day for Wednesday the 28th instant.

Mr. P. Stephens, from the committee to whom was recommittd, on the 2d inst the bill No. 226, entitled "An act to authorise the officers of the land office to issue warrants and patents for certain lands in Susquehanna county, late the estate of Andrew Allen," reported the same as committed.

Laid on the table.

The bill from the Senate, Nov. 242, entitled "An act abolishing the middle, southern and Lancaster districts of the supreme court, and establishing one at Harrisburg," was read the third time.

And on the question,

Shall the same pass?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Meredith and Mr. Wise, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. Evans	Mr. Overholzer
Atkinson	Fackenthall	Patterson
Aughinbaugh	Farrell	Pearson
Barber	W. Forster	Rahn
Beatty	W. B. Foster	Ramsay
Becker	Gebhart	Rankin
G. Bell	Hottenstein	Ringland
Bell, West.	James	Scudder
Blair	Kennedy	F. Smith
Boyer	Kerr	Snyder
Brown, Allegh.	Krepps	P. Stephens
Brown, Lan.	Lawson	J. Stevens
Buyers	M'Bride	Thomas
Cooper	McClure	Tutwiler
Cope	M'Creery	Walker
Cummin	Madden	Whitlatch
Denny	Mathews, Cam.	Wilson
Dillinger	Mathewson	Wise
Dorrance	Matts	Woltersberger
Dunlap	G. Miller	Ritner, Sp'r.
Eldred		

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NAYS.

Mr. Binder	Mr. Harrison	Mr. R. Miller
Bonner	Irwin	Petrikín
Bonsall	M'Ewen	Shannon
Burden	M'Sherry	J. R. C. Smith
Cunningham	Martin	Thompson
Duncan	Meredith	Woolverton
Haines	J. Miller	

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So the question was determined in the affirmative. And

Ordered, That the Clerk return the said bill to the Senate, and request their concurrence in the amendments thereto by this House.

The House resumed the second reading of the resolution attached to the report of the committee on the complaint against judge Franks.

And the question recurring,

Will the House agree to postpone the resolution for the purpose of inserting the following?

Resolved, That in the opinion of this House, an address for the removal of any of the judges of this commonwealth, ought not to be carried to the Governor under the 2d clause of the 2d section of the 5th article of the constitution of this state, unless for some reasonable cause which is not sufficient ground of impeachment, and that for misdemeanors in office the said judges ought to be proceeded against by impeachment alone.

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Meredith and Mr. Kerr, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Dillinger	Mr. Nicholson
Aughinbaugh	Dorrance	Overholzer
Barber	Duncan	Patterson
Beatty	Evans	Pearson
G. Bell	Farrell	Petrikina
Bell, West.	Haines	Rahn
Binder	Harrison	Ramsey
Blair	Hergesheimer	F. Smith
Bonner	Lauman	J. R. C. Smith
Bonsall	Lehman	Snyder
Boyer	M'Clure	P. Stephens
Brown, Lan.	M'Creery	J. Stevens
Burden	M'Sherry	Thomas
Buyers	Madden	Tutwiler
Cope	Martin	Wilson
Cummin	Meredith	Wise
Cunningham	G. Miller	Woolverton
Denny	J. Miller	

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NAYS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. Irwin	Mr. R. Miller
Becker	James	Rankin
Brown, Allegh.	Kennedy	Ringland
Cooper	Kerr	Shannon
Dunlap	Krepps	Thompson
W. Forster	Lawson	Walker
W. B. Foster	M'Bride	Whitlatch
Gebhart	M'Ewen	Wolfsbrger
Hottenstein	Mathews, Cam.	Ritner, Sp'r.
Ihrle	Matts	

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So the question was determined in the affirmative.

The resolution being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Irwin, to amend the same by striking therefrom these words, "that in the opinion of this House an address for the removal of any of the judges of this commonwealth, ought not to be carried to the Governor under the 2d clause of the 2d section of the 5th article of the constitution of this state, unless for some reasonable cause which is not sufficient ground of impeachment, and that for misdemeanors in office the said judges ought to be proceeded against by impeachment alone," and inserting in lieu thereof these words, "that in the opinion of this House an address for the removal of any of the judges of this commonwealth, ought to be carried to the Governor under the 2d section of the 5th article of the constitution, for any misbehavior in office involving moral turpitude, a degradation and disregard of the judicial dignity, neglect of official business, a violation of any of the penal laws of this commonwealth, and for offences

in their official characters not in themselves criminal or partaking of the nature of crimes which are proper subjects for impeachment; and that under the said article and section of the constitution, an address ought not to be carried to the Governor for such removal, unless for some reasonable cause, which is not sufficient ground of impeachment."

And on the question,

Will the House agree so to amend?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Irwin and Mr. Meredith, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. James	Mr. Nicholson
Becker	Kennedy	Patterson
Brown, Allegh.	Kerr	Ramsey
Dorrance	Krepps	Rankin
Dunlap	M'Creery	Ringland
Evans	M'Ewen	J. Stevens
W. Forster	Madden	Thomas
Gebhart	Mathews, Cam.	Thompson
Hergesheimer	Matts	Whitlatch
Hottelstein	J. Miller	Wolfsberger
Ihrig	R. Miller	Ritner, Sp'r.
Irwin		

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NAYS.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Cummin	Mr. Meredith
Aughinbaugh	Cunningham	G. Miller
Barber	Denny	Overholzer
Beatty	Dillinger	Pearson
G Bell	Fackenthall	Petrikina
Bell, Leb.	Farrell	Rahn
Bell, West.	W. B. Foster	Shannon
Binder	Haines	F. Smith
Blair	Harrison	J. R. C. Smith
Bonner	Lauman	Snyder
Borsall	Lawson	P. Stephens
Boyer	Lehman	Tutwiler
Brown, Lan.	M'Bride	Walker
Burden	M'Clure	Wilson
Buyers	M'Sherry	Wise
Cooper	Martin	Woolverton
Cope		

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So the question was determined in the negative.

And the resolution was adopted.

A motion was then made by Mr. Meredith, further to postpone the resolution attached to the report of the committee, for the purpose of introducing the following, viz.

Resolved, That it appears to this House that Samuel D. Franks, president judge of the 12th judicial district, has demanded and received large sums of money as fees or perquisites for his official

services in taking the acknowledgments of deeds for lands lying within this commonwealth, under the acts of Congress of the 2d August, 1813, and of the 9th January, 1815, for laying and collecting a direct tax within the United States.

Which was agreed to.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the resolution?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Ihrie and Mr. Kennedy, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Dunlap	Mr. Matts
Aughinbaugh	Evans	Meredith
Barber	Fackenthall	G. Miller
Beatty	Farrell	J. Miller
G. Bell	W. Forster	Nicholson
Bell, Leb	Haines	Overholzer
Bell, West	Hergesheimer	Pearson
Binder	Ihrie	Petrikina
Blair	Irwin	Ringland
Boyer	Kerr	F. Smith
Brown, Allegh	Lauman	J. R. C. Smith
Brown, Lan	Lawson	Tutwiler
Cope	Lehman	Whitlatch
Cummin	M'Creery	Wilson
Cunningham	M'Ewen	Wise
Denny	Madden	Wolfersberger
Dillinger	Martin	Ritner, Sp'r.
Dorrance		

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NAYS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. James	Mr. Ramsey
Becker	Kennedy	Rankin
Bonner	Krepps	P. Stephens
Bonsall	M'Bride	J. Stevens
Burden	M'Clure	Thomas
Cooper	Mathews, Cam	Thompson
W. B. Foster	R. Miller	Walker
Gebhart	Patterson	Woolverton
Hottenstein	Rahn	

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So the question was determined in the affirmative.

A motion was then made by Mr. Meredith, further to postpone the resolution attached to the report of the committee, for the purpose of introducing the following, viz.

Resolved, That in demanding and receiving such fees or perquisites, the said Samuel D. Franks, president judge of the 12th judicial district, has been guilty of a high misdemeanor in office and violation of the last clause of the 2d section of the 5th article of the constitution of Pennsylvania, and that he be impeached by this House therefor.

And on the question,

Will the House agree so to postpone?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Meredith and Mr. Bonner, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Cope	Mr. Martin
Aughinbaugh	Cummin	Meredith
Barber	Cunningham	Overholzer
Beatty	Denny	Pearson
G. Bell	Evans	Rahn
Bell, Lebr.	Fackenthall	Ramsey
Bell, West.	Farrell	F. Smith
Binder,	Haines	J. R. C. Smith
Blair	Harrison	Snyder
Bonner	Hottenstein	Tutwiler
Bonsall	Lauman	Walker
Boyer	Lehman	Wilson
Brown, Lan.	M'Clure	Wise
Burden	M'Sherry	Woolverton 42

NAYS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. Irwin	Mr. J. Miller
Becker	James	Nicholson
Brown, Allegh.	Kennedy	Patterson
Buyers	Kerr	Petrikín
Cooper	Krepps	Rankin
Dillinger	Lawson	Ringland
Dorrance	M'Bride	Shannon
Dunlap	M'Creery	P. Stephens
W. Forster	M'Ewen	J. Stevens
W. B. Foster	Madden	Thomas
Gebhart	Mathews, Cam.	Thompson
Hergesheimer	Matts	Whitlatch
Ihrle	G. Miller	Ritner, Sp'r. 39

So the question was determined in the affirmative.

The resolution being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Irwin, to amend the same by striking therefrom these words, "and that he be impeached by this House therefor."

And on the question,

Will the House agree so to amend?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Irwin and Mr. Matts, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. G. Bell	Mr. Buyers
Atkinson	Binder	Cooper
Aughinbaugh	Bonsall	Dillinger
Barber	Boyer	Dorrance
Becker	Burden	Dunlap

YEAS.

Mr. Evans	Mr. M'Sherry	Mr. Shannon
W. Forster	Madden	J. R. C. Smith
Gebhart	Mathews, Cam.	Snyder
Hergesheimer	Matts	P. Stephens
Ihrle	G. Miller	J. Stevens
Irwin	J. Miller	Thomas
James	Nicholson	Thompson
Kennedy	Patterson	Whitlatch
Kerr	Pearson	Wise
Krepps	Ramsey	Wolfersberger
M'Creery	Rankin	Ritner, <i>Sp'r.</i>
M'Ewen	Ringland	

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NAYS.

Mr. Beatty	Mr. Fackenthall	Mr. Meredith
Bell, Leb.	W. B. Foster	Overholzer
Bell, West.	Haines	Petrikina
Blair	Harrison	Rahn
Bonner	Hottenstein	F. Smith
Brown, Lan.	Lauman	Tutwiler
Cope	Lehman	Walker
Cummin	M'Clure	Wilson
Cunningham	Martin	Woolverton
Denny		

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So the question was determined in the affirmative.

A motion was then made by Mr. J. Miller, further to amend the resolution by adding thereto these words, "but there appearing charges against the said Samuel D. Franks, which in the opinion of this House, if true, would warrant his removal from office by address, it is not expedient at this time to proceed against him by impeachment."

And on the question,

Will the House agree so to amend?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Irwin and Mr. Matts, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. W. Forster	Mr. M'Ewen
Atkinson	Harrison	M'Sherry
Aughinbaugh	Hergesheimer	Madden
Barber	Hottenstein	Mathews, Cam.
G. Bell	Ihrle	Matts
Binder	Irwin	G. Miller
Blair	James	J. Miller
Brown, Allegh.	Kennedy	Nicholson
Cope	Kerr	Patterson
Dillinger	Krepps	Ramsey
Dorrance	M'Bride	Rankin
Dunlap	M'Creery	Ringland

YEAS.

Mr. Shannon
J. R. C. Smith
Snyder
P. Stephens

Mr. J. Stevens
Thomas
Thompson
Whitlatch

Mr. Wilson
Wise
Wolfersberger
Ritner, *Sp'r.* 48

NAYS.

Mr. Beatty
Becker
Bell, Leb.
Bell, West.
Bonner
Bonsall
Boyer
Brown, Lan.
Burden
Cooper

Mr. Cummin
Cunningham
Denny
Fackenthall
Farrell
W. B. Foster
Haines
Lauman
Lehman
McClure

Mr. Martin
Meredith
Overholzer
Pearson
Petrikin
Rahn
F. Smith
Tutwiler
Walker
Woolverton 50

So the question was determined in the affirmative.

And the resolution as amended was adopted.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the resolution attached to the report of the committee?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Irwin and Mr. Ihrie, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Agnew
Atkinson
Aughinbaugh
Becker
G. Bell
Bell, West.
Bonner
Brown, Allegh.
Buyers
Cope
Cunningham
Denny
Dillinger
Dunlap
Evans
Fackenthall
Farrell
W. Forster
W. B. Foster

Mr. Gebhart
Harrison
Hergesheimer
Ihrie
Irwin
James
Kennedy
Kerr
Krepps
McBride
McCreery
McEwen
McSherry
Madden
Mathews, Cam.
Matts
G. Miller
J. Miller
Nicholson

Mr. Patterson
Ramsey
Rankin
Ringland
Shannon
F. Smith
J. R. C. Smith
Snyder
P. Stephens
J. Stevens
Thomas
Thompson
Whitlatch
Wilson
Wise
Wolfersberger
Woolverton
Ritner, *Sp'r.* 56

NAYS.

Mr. Barber
Beatty
Bell, Leb.
Binder

Mr. Bonsall
Boyer
Brown, Lan.
Burden

Mr. Cooper
Cummin
Haines
Hottenstein

NEWS.

Mr. Lauman
Lehman
McClure
Martin

Mr. Meredith
Overholzer
Pearson
Petrikin

Mr. Rahn
Tutwiler
Walker

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So the question was determined in the affirmative. And

Ordered, That the committee which made the report be a committee for the purpose expressed in the said resolution.

A motion was made by Mr. Petrikin, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That the committee appointed to prepare an address to the Governor for the removal from office of Samuel D. Franks, Esq. president of the 12th judicial district, be instructed to report the same to this House to-morrow morning, and that the said Samuel D. Franks be permitted to be heard, by his counsel, at the bar of the House at 10 o'clock on Wednesday morning next, and that notice of this resolution be given to the said judge. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time.

And being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Kerr, to amend the same by adding thereto these words, "and that the petitioners be also heard by their counsel if they shall desire it."

Which was disagreed to.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the resolution?

It was determined in the affirmative.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, informed that the Senate have concurred in the amendments by the House of Representatives to the bill from the Senate, with an amendment in which the concurrence of the House of Representatives is requested, to the bill No. 319, entitled "A further supplement to the act, entitled An act to re-charter certain banks."

The amendment by the Senate to the said amendments was read, considered and concurred in. And

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate of the same.

Adjourned until 3 o'clock this afternoon.

SAME DAY.

On leave given,

A motion was made by Mr. Irwin, that the committee appointed on this morning to draft an address to the Governor, for the removal from office of judge Franks, be discharged, and that a select committee of three members be appointed for that purpose.

Which was agreed to. And

Ordered, That Messrs. Irwin, Ihrie and Kerr be of the committee.

On motion of Mr. Denny,

The House resumed the second reading of the resolution from the Senate, No. 505, relative to the services of Governor Carroll in the late war.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the same?

It was determined in the affirmative.

The preamble being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. J. R. C. Smith, to amend the same by striking from the 15th line "untiring," and inserting in lieu thereof, "persevering."

Which was disagreed to.

And the preamble was agreed to. And

Ordered, That the Clerk return the said resolution to the Senate, and request their concurrence in the amendments thereto by this House.

Agreeably to leave given,

The House again resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Krepps in the chair, on the resolution No. 506, relative to the creation of water power near Harrisburg.

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Leave was granted. And

Ordered, That the committee of the whole sit again on Monday, the 2d April next.

On motion of Mr. Dorrance,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Barber in the chair, on the bill No. 397, entitled "An act to provide for the education of children, at the public expense, in and near the borough of Harrisburg."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with amendments. And

On motion,

The said bill was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered to be transcribed for the third reading.

The title being amended so as to read as follows, viz. "An act to authorise the commissioners of Dauphin county to establish a public school in the borough of Harrisburg, on the Lancasterian system."

The bill No. 328, entitled "An act for the relief of William Arnold, late a supervisor of Luzerne township, in the county of Fayette," was read the second time.

When a motion was made by Mr. Krepps, to postpone the same until Thursday next.

Which was agreed to.

The bill No. 302, entitled "An act to change the time of meeting of the auditors of Luzerne county," was read the second time.

And the first section being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Ihrie, to amend the same by inserting after "Luzerne," "and Northampton."

Which was agreed to.

And the section as amended was agreed to.

The title was considered and agreed to, being amended by inserting after "Luzerne," "and Northampton." And

Ordered, That the bill be transcribed for the third reading.

The bill No. 382, entitled "An act to authorise the Governor to incorporate a company for making an artificial road from the borough of Wilkesbarre, in the county of Luzerne, by the way of Solomon's Gap and Mauch Chunk, to the borough of Northampton, in the county of Lehigh," was read the second time.

And the first section being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Ihrie, to amend the same by striking therefrom "John Leisenring," and inserting in lieu thereof, "Thomas Craig, jr."

Which was agreed to.

And the section as amended was agreed to.

The remaining sections and title were severally considered and agreed to. And

Ordered, That the bill be transcribed for the third reading.

The bill No. 347, entitled "An act to increase the number of managers in the Huntingdon, Cambria and Indiana turnpike road company, and for other purposes," was read the second time.

And the first section was considered and agreed to.

The second section being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Blair, to fill the blank with "one hundred and fifty."

Which was disagreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Blair, to amend the section by striking therefrom these words, "that from and after the next election for managers of said company, the managers of the same be authorised to allow annually to their treasurer and secretary, any sum not exceeding dollars, as a compensation for their services, and."

Which was agreed to.

And the section as amended was agreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Dorrance, to amend the bill by adding thereto the following new section, viz.

Section 3. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid*, That the number of managers provided for by an act passed one thousand eight hundred and ten, incorporating a company to make a turnpike road from Middletown to Harrisburg, be reduced to seven, including the president, a majority of whom to form a quorum to do business; and that said president and mana-

gers be authorised and required to perform all the acts and duties required of them in the act aforesaid, and a compensation of one dollar per day be allowed the managers of said company, in the discharge of their duties necessarily engaged in, as enjoined on them by the provisions of the aforesaid act: and as much of said act as is hereby altered, be and the same is hereby repealed.

The new section being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Lauman, to amend the same by striking therefrom these words, "and a compensation of one dollar per day be allowed the managers of said company, in the discharge of their duties necessarily engaged in, as enjoined on them by the provisions of the aforesaid act."

Which was agreed to.

And the new section as amended was agreed to.

The title was considered and agreed to, being amended by inserting after "company," these words, "and to reduce the number of managers in the Harrisburg and Middletown turnpike road company." And

Ordered, That the bill be transcribed for the third reading.

On motion of Mr. Meredith,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Tutwiler in the chair, on the bill No. 375, entitled "A supplement to the several acts for the inspection of staves and heading."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Overholzer,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Evans in the chair, on the bill No. 150, entitled "An act to erect the town of Elizabethtown, in the county of Lancaster, into a borough."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with amendments.

On motion of Mr. J. Stevens,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Overholzer in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 351, entitled "An act supplementary to an act for building a bridge over the river Schuylkill, opposite Norristown, in the county of Montgomery."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill without amendment.

Agreeably to leave given,

The House again resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. McBride in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 131, entitled "An act to lay out a state road from New Geneva, in Fayette county, through Greensburg, in Greene county, to the Virginia line, in the direction of the mouth of Fishing creek.

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with amendments.

The bills entitled as follow, were severally read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered to be transcribed for the third reading, viz.

No. 70, "An act authorising the commissioners of Lancaster county to sue in the name and style of the commissioners of Lancaster county, and prescribing that no person subject to county rates and levies, shall be disqualified, for that reason, from being judge, juror or witness in such suit."

No. 256, "An act authorising a re examination and settlement of the accounts of Joseph M'Cullough, a supervisor in Jefferson county."

No. 421, "An act to incorporate the Oxford rail road company of Chester county."

No. 275, "An act to erect the town of Alexandria, in the county of Huntingdon, into a borough."

Adjourned until 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

TUESDAY, March 27, 1827.

The Speaker laid before the House a letter, (No. 273,) from the Auditor General, relative to the accounts of sundry deputy marshalls.

Which was read, and

Laid on the table.

Mr. J. Miller presented three petitions from sundry inhabitants of Perry county, praying that a state road may be laid out from the west end of the Harrisburg bridge to Sidle's mill.

Which were referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

Mr. Brown of Lancaster presented sundry documents relative to the claim of James Clendinen.

Mr. Wise presented the petition of Martha Donald, of Westmoreland county, accompanied with documents, stating the services of her late husband, James Donald, in the revolutionary war, and praying relief,

And the said petition and documents were referred to the committee on claims.

On motion of Mr. M'Creery,

Ordered, That the committee on claims be discharged from the further consideration of the petition and documents of John Brown, and the petition of Jane Miller.

Mr. Dillinger, from the committee appointed to compare bills and present them to the Governor for his approbation, made report, which was read as follows, viz.

That in conjunction with a similar committee from the Senate, they have compared and on yesterday presented to the Governor for his approbation, the bills entitled as follow, to wit:

An act to enable the Governor to incorporate a company to make a turnpike road from the northern termination of the York and Conewago turnpike road, to the west end of the Harrisburg bridge.

A supplement to an act, entitled An act for establishing and building a bridge across the river Lehigh, at Bethlehem, in the county of Northampton, passed April the third, Anno Domini one thousand seven hundred and ninety two.

An act authorising the administrators of Henry Hurst, deceased, to sell and convey real estate.

An act authorising John Hunter, of the county of Delaware, to sell and convey certain real estate.

An act to authorise Philip J. King, of York, to sell a certain house and lot of ground situate in the borough of York, and to execute a title for the same, and to enable Benjamin Moser and Christian Moser, administrators of doctor John Moser, deceased, to convey certain real estate.

An act authorising James Watson to sell and convey a tract of land in Bedford county, of which Samuel Moore died seized.

An act authorising the guardians of the minor children of John E. Latta, to sell and convey certain real estate.

An act to enable the guardians of the minor children of Thomas J. Paschall and Mary H. Morris, to sell and lease on improvement certain land in Schuylkill county.

An act to authorise the trustees of the Methodist meeting house in Germantown, in the county of Philadelphia, to dispose of the same.

An act to authorise the trustees of Athens township, in Bradford county, to convey certain lands.

Resolution relative to infant schools in the first school district of Pennsylvania

Laid on the table.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, presented for concurrence the bills entitled as follow, viz.

No. 531, "An act for the relief of Connecticut settlers."

532, "An act to aid in improving and repairing the state road between the Allegheny bridge and Beaver bridge."

533, "A supplement to the act, entitled An act authorising the Governor to incorporate the Susquehanna and Lehigh canal company."

534, "An act appropriating a sum of money for the erection of a bridge over the river Schuylkill, near Hamburg, in the county of Berks."

535, "An act to authorise the trustees of a public school in Douglass township, Berks county, to sell certain real estate."

536, "An act to repeal in part an act, entitled An act for the relief of sundry supervisors therein mentioned and for other purposes."

537, "An act incorporating the Trindle Spring German Reformed Calvinist and German Lutheran congregations of Cumberland county."

Which bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

And returned the bills entitled as follow, viz.

No. 38, "An act to authorise the Governor to incorporate a company for erecting a bridge over the river Susquehanna, near the north line of Pennsylvania, in Harmony township, Susquehanna county."

No. 324, "A supplement to the act, entitled An act authorising the executors of Robert Brooke and others, to sell and convey certain real estate."

No. 440 "An act to cede the jurisdiction of the territory occupied for a navy yard, in the county of Philadelphia, to the government of the United States."

No. 449, "An act supplementary to an act authorising the executors of James Anderson, to sell certain real estate of the testator, passed the 11th day of April, A. D. 1825."

No. 74, "A supplement to an act to provide for the erection of a house of employment and support of the poor in and for the county of Berks, and for other purposes."

No. 398, "An act to incorporate the Philadelphia towing boat company."

And informed,

That the Senate have passed said bill, the four first without and the two latter with amendments, in which the concurrence of the House of Representatives is requested.

And further informed,

That the Senate have non-concurred in the amendments by the House of Representatives to the resolution No 505, relative to the services of Governor Carroll, during the late war.

The amendments by the Senate to the said bills were read, considered and concurred in. And

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate of the same.

A motion was made by Mr. Denny, that the House insist upon the amendments by this House to the resolution relative to the services of Governor Carroll during the late war, and that a committee be appointed to confer with a similar committee of the Senate, on the said amendments.

The motion being under consideration,
A motion was made by Mr. Kerr, to amend the same by striking therefrom all that follows "war."

Which was agreed to.

And the motion as amended was agreed to. And

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate of the same.

Mr. Atkinson, from the committee to whom was, on yesterday, referred a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill, No. 527, entitled "An act authorising the election of a constable in the borough of Meadville."

Mr. Wilson, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 14th instant, a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 528, entitled "An act to confirm a view of a state road from Johnstown to fort Littleton."

Mr. Denny, from the committee appointed on the 24th inst. for that purpose, reported a resolution,

No. 529, relative to the support of the western penitentiary."

Which bills and resolution were read, and

Laid on the table.

Mr. Irwin, from the committee appointed on yesterday, made a report, (No. 274,) viz An address, No. 530, for the removal of Samuel D. Franks, president judge of the 12th judicial district from office.

Laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Meredith,

Ordered, That the House will proceed to the consideration of the address to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock, and that a copy of the address be furnished to judge Franks, and that the usual number of copies of the same be printed for the use of the members.

The bills entitled as follow were severally read the third time and passed, viz.

No. 70, "An act authorising the commissioners of Lancaster county to sue in the name and style of the commissioners of Lancaster county, and prescribing that no person subject to county rates and levies shall be disqualified for that reason from being judge, juror or witness, in such suit."

No. 302, "An act to change the time of meeting of the auditors of Luzerne and Northampton counties."

No. 256, "An act authorising a re-examination and settlement of the accounts of Joseph M'Cullough, a supervisor in Jefferson county."

No. 182, "An act to authorise the Governor to incorporate a company for making an artificial road from the borough of Wilkesbarre, in the county of Luzerne, by the way of Solomon's Gap and Mauch Chunk, to the borough of Northampton, in the county of Lehigh."

No. 421, "An act to incorporate the Oxford rail road company of Chester county."

No. 347, "An act to increase the number of managers in the Huntingdon, Cambria and Indiana turnpike road, and to reduce the number of managers in the Harrisburg and Middletown turnpike road company, and for other purposes."

No. 275, "An act to erect the town of Alexandria, in the county of Huntingdon, into a borough."

No. 397, "An act to authorise the commissioners of Dauphin county, to establish a public school in the borough of Harrisburg, on the Lancasterian system." And

Ordered, That the Clerk present the said bills to the Senate for concurrence.

A motion was made by Mr. Wise, that the orders of the day be postponed for the purpose of considering the bill No. 93, entitled "An act establishing a lottery to be styled the Pennsylvania state lottery."

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Wise and Mr. James, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. Dunlap	Mr. Patterson
Barber	Eldred	Rahn
Beatty	Evans	Ringland
Becker	Farrell	Shannon
G. Bell	W. B. Foster	F. Smith
Bell, West.	Gebhart	Snyder
Blair	Hottenstein	P. Stephens
Bonner	Ihrle	J. Stevens
Boyer	James	Thomas
Brown, Allegh.	Kerr	Tutwiler
Brown, Lan.	Lawson	Walker
Buyers	M'Bride	Whitlatch
Cooper	M'Creery	Wilson
Cope	Mathews, Cam.	Wise
Cummin	G. Miller	Wolfsberger
Cunningham	J. Miller	Woolverton
Denny	Overholzer	Ritner, Sp'r.
Dillinger		

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NAYS.

Mr. Binder	Mr. Krepps	Mr. Meredith
Duncan	Lauman	R. Miller
Fackenthall	Lehman	Nicholson
W. Forster	M'Clure	Pearson
Haines	M'Ewen	Petrikina
Harrison	M'Sherry	Ramsey
Hergesheimer	Madden	Scudder
Irwin	Martin	J. R. C. Smith
Kennedy	Matts	Thompson

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So the question was determined in the negative.

On motion of Mr. Wise,

Ordered, That this afternoon be appropriated to the consideration of the bills entitled as follow, viz.

No. 93, "An act establishing a lottery to be styled the Pennsylvania state lottery."

No. 376, "An act to improve a certain public road crossing Godfrey's mountain, between Stroudsburg and the Delaware Water Gap, in Northampton county."

Senate, No. 490, "An act authorising the Dauphin and Susquehanna coal company to make Stony creek, in Dauphin county, a slack water navigation, and supplementary to an act, entitled An act to incorporate the Dauphin and Susquehanna coal company, passed April the 5th, 1826."

No. 482, "A supplement to the act, entitled An act authorising the Governor to incorporate the Conestoga navigation company."

The bill No. 259, entitled "An act to incorporate the Philadelphia rail way dock company," was read the second time.

And the sections to the 11th were severally considered and agreed to.

The 12th section being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr Binder, to amend the same by striking therefrom these words, "and to be free of assessment."

Which was agreed to.

And the section as amended was agreed to.

The 13th section being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Meredith, to postpone the same, together with the bill, until to-morrow.

Which was agreed to.

The bill No. 391, entitled "A supplement to the act, entitled An act authorising the Governor to incorporate the Milesburg and Smethsport turnpike road company," was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered to be transcribed for the third reading, the title being amended by adding thereto, "and to revive, continue in force, and amend an act, entitled An act to authorise the Governor to incorporate the president, managers and company of the Mount Pleasant turnpike road, of Wayne county."

The bills entitled as follow were severally read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered to be transcribed for the third reading, viz.

No. 230, "A supplement to the act, entitled An act authorising the Governor to incorporate the Susquehanna and Lehigh canal company."

No. 333, "A supplement to the act, entitled An act to authorise the Governor to incorporate two companies to make an artificial road from Potter's old fort, in Centre county, to the Juniata turnpike road, at any point between the Yellow Springs and Water street, in Huntingdon county."

The bill No. 222, entitled "An act appropriating a sum of money for opening a state road from Pittsburg to Uniontown," was read the second time.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the first section?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Harrison and Mr. James, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Denny	Mr. Madden
Aughinbaugh	Duncan	Matts
Barber	Dunlap	J. Miller
Beatty	Eldred	Nicholson
G. Bell	Farrell	Overholzer
Bell, Leb.	W. B. Foster	Ringland
Bell, West.	Ihrie	Shannon
Bonner	Irwin	J. Stevens
Bonsall	Kennedy	Tutwiler
Brown, Allegh.	Kerr	Walker
Brown, Lan.	Krepps	Whitlatch
Burden	M'Creery	Ritner, Sp'r.
Cunningham		

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NAYS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. Haines	Mr. G. Miller
Becker	Harrison	R. Miller
Binder	Hottenstein	Patterson
Blair	James	Ramsey
Buyers	Lauman	F. Smith
Cooper	Lawson	J. R. C. Smith
Cummin	M'Bride	P. Stephens
Dillinger	M'Ewen	Thomas
Dorrance	M'Sherry	Thompson
Fackenthall	Martin	Wilson
W. Forster	Mathews, Cam.	Wise
Gebhart	Meredith	Wolfersberger

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So the question was determined in the affirmative.

The remaining sections and title were severally considered and agreed to, the title being amended so as to read as follows, viz. "An act appropriating a sum of money for opening certain state roads therein mentioned."

And on the question,

Shall the bill be transcribed for the third reading?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. W. Forster and Mr. James, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. Bell, Leb.	Mr. Buyers
Atkinson	Bell, West.	Cope
Aughinbaugh	Bonner	Cunningham
Barber	Brown, Allegh.	Denny
Beatty	Brown, Lan.	Duncan
G. Bell	Burden	Dunlap

YEAS.

Mr. Eldred
Farrell
W. B. Foster
Ihrle
Irwin
Kennedy
Kerr
Krepps

Mr. Madden
Matts
J. Miller
Nicholson
Overholzer
Patterson
Ringland

Mr. Shannon
J. R. C. Smith
J. Stevens
Tutwiler
Walker
Whitlatch
Ritner, *Sp'r.*

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NAYS.

Mr. Becker
Binder
Blair
Bonsall
Cooper
Cummin
Dillinger
Dorrance
W. Forster
Gebhart
Haines
Harrison

Mr. Hergesheimer
Hottenstein
James
Lauman
Lawson
M'Bride
M'Clure
M'Ewen
M'Sherry
Martin
Mathews, Cam.
Meredith

Mr. G. Miller,
R. Miller
Ramsey
Rankin
F. Smith
P. Stephens
Thomas
Thompson
Wilson
Wise
Wolfersberger

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So the question was determined in the affirmative.

The bill No. 167, entitled "An act to appropriate a sum of money to build a bridge across the Conodoguinet creek, in Cumberland county," was read the second time.

And the section being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. J. Miller, to postpone the further consideration of the same for the present.

Which was agreed to.

The bill No. 54, entitled "A supplement to the act, entitled An act making appropriations for certain internal improvements, and for other purposes," was read the second time.

And the section being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Tutwiler, to amend the same by striking from the 7th line "six," and inserting in lieu thereof, "two."

Which was agreed to.

And the section as amended was agreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Lawson, to amend the bill by adding thereto the following new section, viz.

Section 2. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That the State Treasurer be and he is hereby authorised and required to pay unto Jacob M'Faddin, or order, five hundred and fifty dollars as a compensation for losses sustained in the erection of a bridge across Mahoning creek, in the county of Armstrong.

When a motion was made that the House adjourn.

And on question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Beatty and Mr. Tutwiler, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Bell, West.	Mr. Hottenstein	Mr. G. Miller
Binder	Kerr	R. Miller
Bonsall	Lauman	Patterson
Boyer	Lawson	Ramsey
Brown, Allegh.	M'Bride	Rankin
Cummin	M'Creery	Ringland
Cunningham	M'Ewen	F. Smith
Dillinger	Madden	J. Stevens
Evans	Martin	Thompson
Farrell	Mathews, Cam.	Walker
Haines	Matts	Wilson
Harrison	Meredith	Ritner, Sp'r.
Hergesheimer		

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NAYS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. Cooper	Mr. M'Clure
Aughinbaugh	Cope	M'Sherry
Barber	Denny	J. Miller
Beatty	Dunlap	Shannon
Becker	Gebhart	Snyder
G. Bell	Ihrle	Tutwiler
Bonner	James	Whitlatch
Brown, Lan.	Kennedy	Wolfersberger
Buyers		

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So the question was determined in the affirmative.

Adjourned until 3'clock this afternoon.

SAME DAY.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Thompson in the chair, on the bill No. 93, entitled "An act to establish a lottery, to be styled the Pennsylvania state lottery."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Leave was granted. And

Ordered, That the committee of the whole sit again on to-morrow afternoon.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Eldred in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 490, entitled

"An act authorising the Dauphin and Susquehanna coal company to make Stony creek, in Dauphin county, a slack water navigation, and supplementary to an act, entitled An act to incorporate the Dauphin and Susquehanna coal company, passed April the 5th, 1826."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with one amendment.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Becker in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 482, entitled "A supplement to the act, entitled An act authorising the Governor to incorporate the Conestoga navigation company."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill without amendment.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Hergesehimer in the chair, on the bill No. 376, entitled "An act to improve a certain public road crossing Godfrey's mountain, between Stroudsburg and the Delaware Water Gap, in Northampton county."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with one amendment.

On motion of Mr. P. Stephens, the bill No. 226, entitled "An act to authorise the officers of the Land Office to issue warrants and patents for certain lands in Susquehanna county, late the estate of Andrew Allen," was read the second time.

And the first section being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Meredith, to postpone the further consideration of the same, together with the bill, until Saturday next.

Which was disagreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Meredith, to amend the section by inserting after "land," in the 8th line, "in the townships of Bridgewater, New Milford and Harford."

Which was agreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Meredith, further to amend the section by adding thereto the following proviso, viz. "Provided that this act shall not affect, in any way, the title of any other person or persons in or to the said lands."

Which was agreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Meredith, further to amend the section by inserting after "now," in the 13th line, "alleged to be."

Which was agreed to.

And the section as amended was agreed to.

The second section, preamble and title were severally considered and agreed to. And

Ordered, That the bill be transcribed for the third reading.

On motion of Mr. Boyer,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Woolverton in the chair, on the bill No. 389, entitled "A further supplement to an act, entitled An act to authorise the Governor to incorporate a company to make a lock navigation on the river Schuylkill."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Bonsall,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Farrell in the chair, on the bill No. 154, entitled "An act to authorise the Governor to convey in fee to the master and wardens of Perseverance Lodge, No. 21, and to their successors in office, part of a lot of ground in the borough of Harrisburg, for the purpose of erecting thereon a masonic hall."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with one amendment.

On motion of Mr. Beatty,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Snyder in the chair, on the bill No. 145, entitled "An act authorising a review of the state road from the town of Butler, in Butler county, to the town of Franklin, in Venango county."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with amendments.

A motion was made by Mr. Beatty, that the said bill be recommended to a select committee for the purpose of amendment.

Which was agreed to. And

Ordered, That Messrs. Beatty, Cunningham, Scudder, M^r. Creery and Farrell, be of the committee.

Adjourned until 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.



WEDNESDAY, March 28, 1827.

The Deputy Secretary of the Commonwealth being introduced, presented a message from the Governor which was read as follows, viz.

To the Senate and House of Representatives of the commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

GENTLEMEN,

I have this day approved and signed the following acts and resolution of the General Assembly, and directed the Secretary

of the Commonwealth to return them to the House of Representatives, in which they originated, viz.

A supplement to an act, entitled An act for establishing and building a bridge across the river Lehigh at Bethlehem, in the county of Northampton, passed April 3, A. D. 1792.

An act authorising James Watson to sell and convey a tract of land in Bedford county, of which Samuel Moore died seized.

An act authorising the administrators of Henry Hurst, deceased, to sell and convey real estate.

An act to authorise the trustees of the Methodist meeting house in Germantown, in the county of Philadelphia, to dispose of the same.

An act to enable the guardians of the minor children of Thomas J. Paschall and Mary H. Morris, to sell and lease on improvement, certain land in Schuylkill county.

An act to authorise Philip J. King, of York, to sell a certain house and lot of ground, situate in the borough of York, and to execute a title for the same; and to enable Benjamin Moser and Christian Moser, administrators of doctor John Moser, deceased, to convey certain real estate.

An act authorising the guardian of the minor children of John E. Latta to sell and convey certain real estate.

An act authorising John Hunter, of the county of Delaware, to sell and convey certain real estate.

An act to authorise the trustees of Athens township, in Bradford county, to convey certain lands.

An act to enable the Governor to incorporate a company to make a turnpike road, from the northern termination of the York and Conewago turnpike road, to the west end of the Harrisburg bridge.

A resolution relative to infant schools, in the first school district of Pennsylvania.

J. ANDW. SHULZE.

Harrisburg, March 27, 1827.

Laid on the table.

Mr. Krepps presented four remonstrances from sundry inhabitants of Fayette county, against the further construction of the Pennsylvania canal.

Mr. Meredith presented a remonstrance from the board of controllers of the public schools for the city and county of Philadelphia, against increasing the number of the said board.

Mr. Ihrie presented four petitions from sundry inhabitants of Northampton county, praying for the construction of a canal, at the expense of the state, along the valley of the Delaware river, and also for the survey of a communication from the Susquehanna to the Delaware river, in Northampton county.

And the said petitions and remonstrances were

Laid on the table.

A motion was made by Mr. Pearson, that to-morrow afternoon be appropriated to the consideration of the bills entitled as follow, viz.

No. 434, "An act to annul the trust of certain public landings and wharves in the Northern Liberties, Philadelphia county, vested in the commissioners of the incorporated district of the Northern Liberties, and for other purposes."

No. 373, "An act for the relief of Nathaniel Patterson, inspector of the 1st brigade, 18th division, Pennsylvania militia."

No. 75, "An act incorporating the Lancaster county academy."

No. 483, "An act granting relief to Allegheny college, in Crawford county."

No. 208, "An act to raise, by way of lottery, a sum of money for paying the debt due by the Limerick church, Montgomery county."

No. 361, "An act to authorise the erection of fish dams and fish baskets in the rivers Susquehanna and Juniata, and their branches, under certain regulations and restrictions."

No. 294, "A further supplement to an act, entitled An act authorising the Governor to incorporate four companies for making an artificial road from the town of Washington, in this state, to intersect the Harrisburg and Pittsburg turnpike road, at or near the town of Bedford."

No. 407, "An act for the relief of Sarah Wood."

No. 401, "An act authorising the Governor to incorporate the Allegheny and Conewango canal company."

No. 267, "An act for the relief of the sureties of Samuel Mann, late collector of taxes in the city of Pittsburg."

No. 262, "An act to vest in the guardian of the infant child of John Cunningham, late of Pittsburg, deceased, the right of this commonwealth to the estate of the said John Cunningham."

No. 425, "An act concerning escheated estates."

The motion being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Meredith, to amend the same by adding thereto these words, "after the consideration of such bills as have been reported by a committee of the whole, and those in which the committee of the whole has made progress, and has leave to sit again."

Which was agreed to.

And the motion as amended was disagreed to.

Mr. Brown of Allegheny, from the committee appointed on the subject of a review of the state road from Uniontown to Pittsburg, made a report, (No. 275,) accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That the committee be discharged from the further consideration of the subject. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

Mr. Blair, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 19th instant, a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill, No. 538, entitled "An act to enable the trustees of the Presbyterian congregation of the town of Williamsburg, in Huntingdon county, to re-convey a lot of ground in said town to Jacob Ake."

Which bill was read, and

Laid on the table.

The bill No. 230, entitled "A supplement to the act, entitled An act authorising the Governor to incorporate the Susquehanna and Leligh canal company," was read a third time.

When a motion was made by Mr. Dillinger, to postpone the same for the present, and that the House resolve itself into a committee of the whole, on the bill from the Senate, No. 533, of a similar title.

Which was agreed to.

Whereupon,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Wilson in the chair, on the said bill.

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill without amendment. And

On motion,

The said bill was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered to be prepared for the third reading.

On motion of Mr. Dillinger,

The rule which prohibits the reading of bills twice on the same day, being in this case dispensed with, the said bill was read the third time and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate.

The bills entitled as follow were severally read the third time and passed, viz.

No. 333, "A supplement to the act, entitled An act to authorise the Governor to incorporate two companies to make an artificial road from Potter's old fort, in Centre county, to the Juniata turnpike road, at any point between the Yellow Springs and Water street, in Huntingdon county."

No. 391, "A supplement to the act, entitled An act authorising the Governor to incorporate the Milesburg and Smethport turnpike road company, and to revive, and continue in force, and amend an act, entitled An act to authorise the Governor to incorporate the president, managers and company of the Mount Pleasant turnpike road of Wayne county." And

Ordered, That the Clerk present the said bills to the Senate for concurrence.

The bill No. 222, entitled "An act appropriating a sum of money for opening certain state roads therein mentioned," was read the third time.

And on the question,
Shall the same pass?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Mathews of Cambria and Mr. James, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Eldred	Mr. Petrikin
Barber	Farrell	Ringland
Beatty	W. B. Foster	Scudder
G. Bell	Ihrle	Shannon
Bell, West.	Irwin	J. R. C. Smith
Boyer	Kennedy	J. Stevens
Brown, Allegh.	Kerr	Walker
Cunningham	Krepps	Whitlatch
Denny	Nicholson	Ritner, Sp'r.
Dunlap		

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NAYS.

Mr. Becker	Mr. Harrison	Mr. Meredith
Binder	Hergesheimer	G. Miller
Blair	Hottenstein	R. Miller
Bonsall	James	Overholzer
Brown, Lan.	Lauman	Patterson
Buyers	Lawson	Pearson
Cooper	M'Bride	Rahn
Cummin	M'Clure	Ramsey
Dillinger	M'Creery	Rankin
Dorrance	M'Ewen	F. Smith
Duncan	M'Sherry	Snyder
Evans	Madden	Thomas
Fackenthall	Martin	Thompson
W. Forster	Mathews, Cam.	Wilson
Gebhart	Mathewson	Wise
Haines	Matts	Wolfersbrger 48

So the question was determined in the negative.

The bill No. 226, entitled "An act to authorize the officers of the land office to issue warrants and patents for certain lands in Susquehanna county, late the estate of Andrew Allen," was read the third time.

When a motion was made by Mr. P. Stephens, to postpone the same until to morrow.

Which was agreed to.

Agreeably to the order of the day, the House proceeded to the consideration of the address read on yesterday, for the removal of Judge Franks from office; when the address was read the second time, and Calvin Blythe, Esq. the counsel of the judge, was, according to order, admitted and heard in his defence at the bar of the House.

And after some time,
The counsel having withdrawn,
On motion,
The House adjourned until 3 o'clock this afternoon.

SAME DAY.

The House resumed the consideration of the address for the removal from office of Judge Franks; and the counsel for the judge was again admitted and further heard at the bar of the House in his defence.

And after some time,
The counsel having withdrawn,
On motion,
The House adjourned until 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.



THURSDAY, March 29, 1827.

Mr. Whitlatch presented the petition of Thomas B. Bussey, of Greene county, accompanied with documents, praying for a divorce from the bonds of matrimony.

Which were referred to Messrs. Whitlatch, Krepps and Botsall.

On motion of Mr. F. Smith,

Ordered, That Monday afternoon next be appropriated for the consideration of the bill from the Senate, No. 509, entitled "An act concerning unpatented lands."

Mr. Dillinger, from the committee appointed to compare bills and present them to the Governor for his approbation, made report, which was read as follows, viz.

That in conjunction with a similar committee from the Senate, they have compared and on yesterday presented to the Governor for his approbation, the bills entitled as follow, to wit:

A further supplement to the act, entitled An act to re charter certain banks.

A further supplement to the act, entitled An act to authorise the Governor to incorporate a company for erecting a bridge over the river Susquehanna, at the town of Danville.

An act to authorise the Governor to incorporate a company for erecting a bridge over the river Susquehanna, near the north line of Pennsylvania, in Harmony township, Susquehanna county.

An act to incorporate the Delaware towing boat company.

An act to cede the jurisdiction of the territory occupied for a navy yard, in the county of Philadelphia, to the government of the United States.

An act supplementary to an act, authorising the executors of James Anderson, deceased, to sell certain real estate of the testator, passed the 11th day of April, A. D. one thousand eight hundred and twenty-five."

A supplement to the act, entitled An act authorising the executors of Robert Brooke and others, to sell and convey certain real estate.

A supplement to an act to provide for the erection of a House of employment and support of the poor, in and for the county of Berks, and for other purposes.

An act for the better preservation of the records contained in the public offices of the several counties of this commonwealth.

Laid on the table.

Mr. Agnew, from the committee to whom were referred sundry petitions on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill, No. 539, entitled "A supplement to an act, entitled An act to incorporate the city of Lancaster."

Which bill was read, and

Laid on the table.

Mr. Beatty, from the committee to whom was, on the 27th inst. committed the bill No. 145, entitled "An act authorising a review of the state road from the town of Butler, in Butler county, to the town of Franklin in Venango county," reported the bill with amendments.

Laid on the table.

The House resumed the third reading of the bill No. 226, entitled "An act to authorise the officers of the Land Office to issue warrants and patents for certain lands in Susquehanna county, late the estate of Andrew Allen."

And on the question,

Shall the same pass?

A motion was made by Mr. Thomas, to postpone the question, together with the bill, until to-morrow.

Which was agreed to.

The House resumed the consideration of the address for the removal from office of judge Franks, and the counsel for the judge was again admitted and further heard at the bar of the House in his defence.

The counsel having concluded,

A motion was made by Mr. Irwin, that the further consideration of the address be postponed until 3 o'clock this afternoon.

Which was agreed to.

Adjourned until 3 o'clock this afternoon.

SAME DAY.

The House resumed the consideration of the address for the removal from office of judge Franks.

When a motion was made by Mr. Meredith, that the House resolve itself into a committee of the whole, upon the said address.

Which was disagreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Meredith, to amend the address, by striking therefrom the following words, viz.

"2d. That he has been engaged in gambling, and at times publicly with professed gamblers.

3d. That he has, in three instances, violated the act of the 24th of March, one thousand eight hundred and seventeen, entitled "An act to prevent the practice of wagering or betting on elections."

4th. That he has encouraged the drawing of unlawful lotteries."

And on the question,

Will the House agree so to amend?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Meredith and Mr. Petrikin, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Barber	Mr. Cunningham	Mr. Overholzer
Beatty	Eldred	Pearson
Bell, West.	Fackenthall	Petrikin
Bonner	W. B. Foster	Rahn
Bunsall	Lauman	Snyder
Boyer	M'Sherry	Tutwiler
Brown, Lan.	Martin	Walker
Buyers	Meredith	Wise
Cooper	G. Miller	Woolverton
Cummin		

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NAYS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. Burden	Mr. W. Forster
Atkinson	Cope	Gebhart
Aughinbaugh	Denny	Haines
G. Bell	Dillinger	Harrison
Binder	Dunlap	Hergesheimer
Brown, Allegh.	Evans	Hottenstein

NAYS.

Mr. Ihrie	Mr. Madden	Mr. Shannon
Irwin	Mathews, Cam.	F. Smith
James	Matts	J. R. C. Smith
Kennedy	J. Miller	P. Stephens
Kerr	R. Miller	J. Stevens
Krepps	Nicholson	Thomas
Lawson	Patterson	Thompson
M'Bride	Ramsey	Whitlatch
M'Clure	Rankin	Wilson
M'Creery	Ringland	Wolfersberger
M'Ewen	Scudder	Ritner, <i>Sp'r.</i> 51

So the question was determined in the negative.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the address?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Meredith and Mr. Kerr, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. James	Mr. Ramsey
Atkinson	Kennedy	Rankin
Aughinbaugh	Kerr	Ringland
G. Bell	Krepps	Scudder
Brown, Allegh.	M'Bride	Shannon
Cope	M'Creery	F. Smith
Denny	M'Ewen	J. R. C. Smith
Dillinger	M'Sherry	P. Stephens
Dunlap	Madden	J. Stevens
Evans	Mathews, Cam.	Thomas
W. Forster	Matts	Thompson
Gebhart	J. Miller	Whitlatch
Harrison	R. Miller	Wilson
Hergesheimer	Nicholson	Wolfersberger
Ihrie	Patterson	Ritner, <i>Sp'r.</i> 46
Irwin		

NAYS.

Mr. Barber	Mr. Cunningham	Mr. Meredith
Beatty	Eldred	G. Miller
Bell, West.	Fackenthall	Overholzer
Binder,	W. B. Foster	Pearson
Bonner,	Haines	Petrikia
Bonsall	Hottenstein	Rahn
Boyer	Lauman	Snyder
Brown, Lan.	Lawson	Tutwiler
Burden	Lehman	Walker
Buyers	M'Clure	Wise
Cooper	Martin	Woolverton
Cummin	Mathewson	

So the question was determined in the negative.

A motion was then made by Mr. Meredith, that so much of the resolution adopted the 26th March inst. stating that in demanding and receiving certain fees, Samuel D. Franks has been guilty of a high misdemeanor in office, as declares it inexpedient to proceed at this time by impeachment for the same be rescinded, and that the said Samuel D. Franks be impeached by this House for the misdemeanor in office stated in the resolutions then voted by this House.

The motion being under consideration,

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the same?

A motion was made by Mr. Irwin, to postpone the question, and that the motion, together with the resolution, be recommended to the early attention of the next legislature.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Bonner and Mr. G. Miller, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. Harrison	Mr. Matts
Aughinbaugh	Hergesheimer	R. Miller
Brown, Allegh.	Irwin	Nicholson
Buyers	James	Patterson
Cope	Kennedy	Ramsey
Dillinger	Kerr	Rankin
Dunlap	Krepps	Ringland
Evans	M'Bride	Thompson
Fackenthall	M'Creery	Whitlatch
W. Forster	M'Ewen	Wilson
W. B. Foster	Madden	Woltersberger
Gebhart	Mathews, Cam.	Ritner, Sp'r. 35

NAYS.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Haines	Mr. Petrikin
Barber	Hottenstein	Rahn
Beatty	Ihrig	Scudder
G. Bell	Lauman	Shannon
Bell, West.	Lawson	F. Smith
Binder	Lehman	J. R. C. Smith
Bonner	M'Clure	Snyder
Bonsall	M'Sherry	P. Stephens
Boyer	Martin	J. Stevens
Brown, Lan.	Mathewson	Thomas
Burden	Meredith	Tutwiler
Cooper	G. Miller	Walker
Cummin	J. Miller	Wise
Cunningham	Overholzer	Woolverton
Eldred	Pearson	

So the question was determined in the negative.

A motion was then made by Mr. Irwin, that the further consideration of the subject be postponed for the present.

Which was agreed to.

Adjourned until 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.



FRIDAY, March 30, 1827.

The Secretary of the Commonwealth being introduced, presented a message from the Governor, which was read as follows, viz.

To the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

GENTLEMEN,

I have this day approved and signed the following acts of the General Assembly, and directed the Secretary of the Commonwealth to return them to the Houses in which they respectively originated, viz.

A further supplement to the act, entitled An act to re-charter certain banks.

An act to cede the jurisdiction of the territory occupied for a navy yard, in the county of Philadelphia, to the government of the United States.

An act for the better preservation of the records contained in the public offices of the several counties of this commonwealth.

An act supplementary to an act authorising the executors of James Anderson, deceased, to sell certain real estate of the testator, passed the 11th day of April, A. D. 1825.

A supplement to an act to provide for the erection of a house of employment and support of the poor in and for the county of Berks, and for other purposes.

An act to authorise the Governor to incorporate a company for erecting a bridge over the river Susquehanna, near the north line of Pennsylvania, in Harmony township, Susquehanna county.

A supplement to the act, entitled An act authorising the executors of Robert Brooke and others, to sell and convey certain real estate.

A further supplement to the act, entitled An act to authorise the Governor to incorporate a company for erecting a bridge over the river Susquehanna, at the town of Danville.

An act to incorporate the Delaware towing boat company.

J. ANDW. SHULZE.

Harrisburg, March 29, 1827.

Laid on the table.

Mr. Gebhart presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Southampton township, Somerset county, against changing the place of holding their general elections.

Mr. J. Miller presented two remonstrances from sundry inhabitants of Wheatfield township, Perry county, against changing the place of holding their general elections.

Mr. Gebhart presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Somerset county, praying for certain alterations in the law relative to the patenting of lands.

Mr. M'Sherry presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Adams county, against members of the Legislature receiving daily pay whilst absent from the House.

Mr. Wilson presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Bedford and Huntingdon counties, praying for the confirmation of the state road from Johnstown to Fort Littleton.

Mr. Buyers presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Lancaster county, praying that the said county may be separated from the city of Lancaster for certain purposes.

And the said petitions and remonstrances were

Laid on the table

Mr. Hergesheimer presented the petition of Jacob Martin, of Philadelphia county, accompanied with documents, stating his services in the revolutionary war, and praying relief.

Which were referred to the committee on claims.

Mr. Krepps presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Fayette county, accompanied with documents, stating that George Banks, a colored man, residing in the said county, has been subjected to punishment for a crime of which he is innocent, and praying that legislative aid may be granted to him.

Which were referred to Messrs. Krepps, J. Miller and Atkinson.

Mr. Bonsall presented a memorial from the chairmen and secretaries of public meetings in Philadelphia, praying that a lottery may be granted for the benefit of the officers and soldiers of the revolutionary war.

Which was referred to Messrs. Bonsall, Ringland, Tutwiler, Cooper and Shannon.

A motion was made by Mr. Meredith, that so much of the minutes of the testimony reported to the House by the committee appointed to investigate the conduct of judge Franks, as relates to the following charges against the said judge, viz.

"2d. That he has been engaged in gambling, and at times publicly with professed gamblers.

"3d. That he has in three instances violated the act of the twenty-fourth of March, one thousand eight hundred and sev-

enteen, entitled 'An act to prevent the practice of wagering or betting on elections.

"4th. That he has encouraged the drawing of unlawful lotteries," be referred to a committee.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

It was determined in the negative.

The House resumed the third reading of the bill No. 226, postponed on yesterday, entitled "An act to authorise the officers of the Land Office to issue warrants and patents for certain lands in Susquehanna county, late the estate of Andrew Allen."

When a motion was made by Mr. P. Stephens, that the said bill re-committed to a committee of the whole House, for the purpose of amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Whereupon,

The House again resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Knight in the chair, on the said bill.

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with amendments.

The bill being again before the House,

And on the question,

Shall the same pass?

It was determined in the affirmative, the title being amended so as to read as follows, viz.

"An act authorising the Secretary of the Land Office to issue patents to Archippus Parrish, John Stanley and others, for certain lands in the county of Susquehanna." And

Ordered, That the Clerk present the said bill to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Petrikin,

The resolution attached to the report of the committee on the complaint against justice Phelps, read on the 26d inst was read the second time, considered and adopted. And

Ordered, That Messrs. Petrikin, Denny and Lawson be a committee for the purpose therein expressed.

Agreeably to leave given,

The House again resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Thompson in the chair, on the bill No. 93, entitled "An act establishing a lottery, to be styled the Pennsylvania state lottery."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with amendments.

On motion of Mr. Overholzer,

The bill No. 172, entitled "An act for raising, by way of lottery, the sum of sixty thousand dollars, for defraying the expenses of introducing water into the city of Lancaster," was read the second time.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the first section?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Hergesheimer and Mr. Knight, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. Dorrance	Mr. G. Miller
Atkinson	Ellis	H. Miller
Aughinbaugh	Evans	J. Miller
Barber	Farrell	Overholzer
Beatty	W. B. Foster	Patterson
G. Bell	Gebhart	Petrikina
Bell, Leb.	Good	Rankin
Bonner	Hottenstein	Scudder
Bonsall	Ihrle	F. Smith
Boyer	Irwin	Snyder
Brown, Lan.	James	J. Stevens
Burden	Kennedy	Thomas
Buyers	Krepps	Tutwiler
Cooper	Lauman	Walker
Cope	M'Ewen	Wolfsberger
Cummin	Matheys, Mont.	Woolverton
Dillinger	Mathewson	Ritner, Sp'r. 51

NAYS.

Mr. Binder	Mr. Lawson	Mr. Pennypacker
Blair	Lehman	Ramsey
Brown, Allegh.	M'Bride	Ringland
Dunlap	M'Creery	Shannon
W. Foster	M'Sherry	J. R. C. Smith
Harrison	Martin	Thompson
Hergesheimer	Meredith	Whitlatch
Kerr	R. Miller	Wilson
Knight	Pearson	

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So the question was determined in the affirmative.

The 2d, 3d, 4th, 5th and 6th sections were severally considered and agreed to.

The 7th section being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. F. Smith, to amend the same by striking therefrom "one thousand," and inserting in lieu thereof "one hundred."

Which was agreed to.

And the section as amended was agreed to.

The title was considered and agreed to.

And on the question,

Shall the bill be transcribed for the third reading?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Brown of Allegheny and Mr. W. B. Foster, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Agnew
 Aughinbaugh
 Barber
 G. Bell
 Bell, Leb.
 Bell, West.
 Bonsall
 Boyer
 Brown, Lan.
 Burden
 Buyers
 Cooper
 Cope
 Cummin
 Dillinger
 Dorrance

Mr. Ellis
 Evans
 Farrell
 Gebhart
 Good
 Hottenstein
 Ihrie
 James
 Kennedy
 Krepps
 Lauman
 M'Ewen
 Matheys, Mont.
 Mathewson
 G. Miller
 H. Miller

Mr. J. Miller
 Overholzer
 Patterson
 Petrikin
 Scudder
 F. Smith
 Snyder
 P. Stephens
 J. Stevens
 Thomas
 Tutwiler
 Walker
 Wolfersberger
 Woolverton
 Ritner, Sp'r.

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NAYS.

Mr. Binder
 Blair
 Brown, Allegh.
 Cunningham
 Deany
 Dunlap
 W. Forster
 W. B. Foster
 Harrison
 Hergesheimer

Mr. Kerr
 Knight
 Lawson
 Lehman
 M'Bride
 M'Creery
 M'Sherry
 Matts
 Meredith
 R. Miller

Mr. Pearson
 Pennypacker
 Ramsey
 Ringland
 Shannon
 J. R. C. Smith
 Thompson
 Whitlatch
 Wilson
 Wise

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So the question was determined in the affirmative.

On motion of Mr. F. Smith, the bill No. 123, entitled "An act to enable the Chambersburg water company to raise a sum of money, by way of lottery," was read the second time.

And the sections were severally considered and agreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. F. Smith, to amend the bill by adding thereto the following new section, viz.

Section 5. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That the sale of tickets in the lottery authorised by this act shall be confined to the county of Franklin, and any person or persons offering for sale or selling any of the said tickets in this commonwealth without the bounds of the said county, shall be liable to a penalty of one hundred dollars, to be recovered by action of debt instituted in any court of competent jurisdiction within this commonwealth, the said suit to be brought in the name of the commonwealth, and the one half of said penalty, when recovered, to be for the use of the informer, and the other half to be paid into the treasury of the county in which such suit may be instituted.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the new section?

It was determined in the affirmative.

A motion was then made by Mr. Ihrie, to amend the bill by adding the following new sections, viz.

Section 6. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That Philip H. Mattes, Jacob Wagoner and John Worman, of the borough of Easton, be and they are hereby appointed commissioners to raise, by way of lottery, a sum of money not exceeding twelve thousand dollars, for the purpose of purchasing and laying iron pipes for introducing water into the borough of Easton.

Section 7. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That the said commissioners, before they proceed to sell any tickets in the said lottery, shall lay the scheme thereof before the Governor, and if he approves of the same they shall enter into bonds to him for the due and faithful performance of their duty in selling the tickets, drawing the lottery and paying the prizes, and each of them, before entering on the duties of his appointment, shall take and subscribe an oath or affirmation diligently and faithfully to perform the duties hereby entrusted to him, and two of the said commissioners at least, shall attend each day's drawing of the aforesaid lottery in the borough of Easton, and when the whole is completed shall cause an accurate list of the fortunate numbers to be published in all the newspapers printed in the borough of Easton.

Section 8. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That the said commissioners be and they are hereby authorised to settle and adjust all accounts which may be exhibited by any person or persons legally employed in carrying this act into effect, and that all expenses necessarily attending the same shall be paid by the aforesaid commissioners out of the proceeds of the lottery.

Section 9. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That the said Philip H. Mattes, Jacob Wagoner and John Worman, be and they are hereby appointed commissioners to receive and lay out the sums of money raised and appropriated by this act for the purpose of purchasing and laying iron pipes, and such other expenses as may be necessary in bringing the water into the borough of Easton; and it shall be the duty of the said commissioners, when the said lottery is drawn and published, to make out a true statement of the proceeds after the expenses are paid, and the said commissioners shall thereupon enter into a bond to the treasurer of the county of Northampton, for the faithful performance of their duty.

Section 10. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That the burgesses of the said borough be and they are hereby authorised and required, whenever it shall be necessary, to appoint three judicious citizens, who shall be auditors to adjust and settle the accounts of the commissioners mentioned in the sixth and ninth sections of this act, and the said auditors shall allow the said commissioners respectively such compensation for their services while necessarily employed under this act, as the said auditors shall think just and reasonable; and it shall be the duty of the said auditors to report to the said burgesses whether the said commissioners have discharged the duties of their trust according to the true intent and meaning of this act, which, if ap-

proved of, the said burgesses shall direct that the said commissioners be discharged from any further responsibility.

Section 11. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That if any person shall vend or offer for sale within the county of Northampton, or shall either directly or indirectly act as agent in selling or offering for sale any ticket or tickets in any lottery not authorised by the laws of this commonwealth, the person or persons so offending shall be liable to a penalty of one hundred dollars, to be recovered by action of debt instituted in the court of common pleas or circuit court of the said county in the name of the commonwealth of Pennsylvania, one half thereof to be appropriated to the use of the informer and the other half to be paid into the county treasury.

Section 12. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That the sale of tickets in the lottery authorised by this act, shall be confined to the county of Northampton, and any person or persons offering for sale or selling any of the said tickets in this commonwealth, without the bounds of the said county, shall be liable to a penalty of one hundred dollars, to be recovered by action of debt instituted in any court of competent jurisdiction within this commonwealth, the said suit to be brought in the name of the commonwealth, and the one half of said penalty, when recovered, to be for the use of the informer, and the other half to be paid into the treasury of the county in which such suit may be instituted.

And on the question,

Will the House agree so to amend?

It was determined in the affirmative.

The title was considered and agreed to, being amended so as to read as follows, viz. "An act to enable the Chambersburg and Easton water companies to raise a sum of money, by way of lottery."

And on the question,

Shall the bill be transcribed for the third reading?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Ramsey and Mr. Madden, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Agnew
Aughinbaugh
G. Bell
Bell, Leb.
Bell, West.
Bonner
Bonsall
Boyer
Brown, Lan.
Burden
Buyers
Cooper
Cope

Mr. Dillinger
Eldred
Evans
Hottenstein
Ihrle
Kennedy
Krepps
Lauman
Matheys, Mont.
Mathewson
G. Miller
H. Miller

Mr. J. Miller
Overholzer
Patterson
Scudder
F. Smith
P. Stephens
J. Stevens
Thomas
Tutwiler
Walker
Wolfersberger
Woolverton

NAYS.

Mr. Binder	Mr. Irwin	Mr. Matts
Blair	Kerr	Meredith
Brown, Allegh.	Knight	R. Miller
Cunningham	Lawson	Ramsey
Denny	Lehman	Rankin
Dunlap	M'Bride	Ringland
Fackenthall	M'Clure	Shannon
Farrell	M'Creery	J. R. C. Smith
W. Forster	M'Ewen	Thompson
W. B. Foster	M'Sherry	Wilson
Good	Madden	Wise
Harrison	Martin	Ritner, Sp'r.
Hergesheimer	Mathews, Cam.	38

So the question was determined in the negative.

The House resumed the consideration of the bill No. 223, postponed on the 25d instant, entitled "An act to lay out and improve a road on the east side of the Susquehanna river, from the borough of Sunbury, through Georgetown, to Rodger's ferry, and for other purposes."

And the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the re-commitment?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Brown of Allegheny and Mr. Fackenthall, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Aughinbaugh	Mr. Farrell	Mr. Nicholson
Beatty	Hottenstein	Overholzer
G. Bell	Ihrie	Rankin
Bell, Leb.	Irwin	Scudder
Bell, West.	Krepps	F. Smith
Bonner	Lauman	Snyder
Brown, Lan.	Lawson	P. Stephens
Buyers	M'Bride	J. Stevens
Cooper	M'Clure	Thomas
Cummin	M'Ewen	Walker
Dorrance	Madden	Wilson
Dunlap	Mathewson	Wise
Eldred	H. Miller	Wolfersberger
Evans	J. Miller	Woolverton 42

NAYS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. Dillinger	Mr. Hergesheimer
Binder	Fackenthall	Kennedy
Bonsall	W. Forster	Kerr
Boyer	W. B. Foster	Knight
Brown, Allegh.	Gebhart	M'Sherry
Cope	Good	Martin
Cunningham	Haines	Mathews, Cam.
Denny	Harrison	Matheys, Mont.

NAMES.

Mr. Matts	Mr. Patterson	Mr. J. R. C. Smith
Meredith	Pennypacker	Thompson
G. Miller,	Ramsey	Tutwiler
R. Miller	Ringland	Ritner, Sp'r. 56

So the question was determined in the affirmative. And

Ordered, That Messrs. Scudder, Krepps, J. Miller and Woolverton, be of the committee.

Adjourned until 3 o'clock this afternoon.

SAME DAY.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Lauman in the chair, on the bill No. 62, entitled "An act to annul the marriage contract of Jacob S. Davis and Sarah Ann his wife."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill without amendment.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Bell of Westmoreland in the chair, on the bill No. 112, entitled "An act to annul the marriage of John W. Shinn and Margaret Ann his wife."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair and the chairman reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Leave was granted. And

Ordered, That the committee of the whole sit again on Monday next.

On motion of Mr. Mr. McCreery,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Mathewson in the chair, on the bill No. 424, entitled "An act for the relief of Leonard Hause and Henry Orwig, revolutionary soldiers."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with amendments.

On motion of Mr. Brown of Allegheny,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Matheys of Montgomery in the chair, on the bill No. 373, entitled "An act for the relief of Nathaniel Patterson, inspector of the 1st brigade, 18th division, Pennsylvania militia."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with one amendment.

On motion of Mr. Matheys of Montgomery,

The bill from the Senate, No. 351, entitled "An act supplementary to an act for building a bridge over the river Schuylkill, opposite Norristown, in the county of Montgomery," was read the second time.

And the first section was considered and agreed to.

The second section was considered.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the same?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Irwin and Mr. Fackenthall, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. Ellis	Mr. Overholzer
Atkinson	Evans	Patterson
Barber	W. B. Foster	Pearson
Beatty	Good	Pennypacker
G. Bell	Hergesheimer	Petrikín
Bell, Leb.	Hottenstein	Scudder
Bell, West.	Ihríe	Shannon
Bonsall	Jaines	F. Smith
Boyer	Kennedy	J. R. C. Smith
Brown, Allegh.	Krepps	Snyder
Brown, Lan.	Lehman	P. Stephens
Buyers	M'Bride	J. Stevens
Cooper	Madden	Thomas
Cope	Martin	Thompson
Cummin	Matheys, Mont.	Tutwiler
Cunningham	Mathewson	Walker
Denny	Meredith	Whitlatch
Dillinger	H. Miller	Wolfsberger
Dorrance	J. Miller	Woolverton
Dunlap	Nicholson	Ritner, Sp'r.
Eldred		

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NAYS.

Mr. Binder	Mr. Kerr	Mr. Matts
Blair	Lauman	G. Miller
Bonner	Lawson	R. Miller
Fackenthall	M'Clure	Ramsey
Farrell	M'Creery	Rankin
W. Forster	M'Ewen	Ringland
Gebhart	M'Sherry	Wilson
Harrison	Mathews, Cam.	Wise
Irwin		

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So the question was determined in the affirmative.

The remaining sections were severally considered and agreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Irwin, to amend the bill by adding thereto the following new section, viz.

Section 5. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That the sum of five hundred dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for building a bridge across Dunlap's creek, in Fayette county, on the state road which intersects the national road, and passes from thence through Merrittstown to Greene county, and that after the first day of June next the Governor be and he is hereby authorised to draw his warrant in favor of John M'Dougall, William Ewing and Elijah Coleman, for said sum of five hundred dollars.

And on the question,

Will the House agree so to amend?

It was determined in the negative.

The title was considered and agreed to. And

Ordered, That the bill be prepared for the third reading.

On motion of Mr. Shannon,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Matts in the chair, on the bill No. 526, entitled "An act incorporating the Pennsylvania and Ohio canal company."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. Burden,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Dillinger in the chair, on the bill No. 198, entitled "A supplement to an act, entitled An act to alter and amend the fee bill."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill without amendment.

Adjourned until 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

SATURDAY, March 31, 1827.

Mr. Farrell presented two petitions from sundry stockholders of the Greensburg and Stoystown turnpike road company, praying for certain alterations in their act of incorporation.

Which were referred to Messrs. Farrell, Petrikin and P. Stephens.

Mr. P. Stephens presented sundry documents relative to the

application of Samuel Weston for a divorce from the bonds of matrimony.

Mr. Agnew presented four remonstrances from sundry inhabitants of Martick township, Lancaster county, against changing the place of holding their general elections.

And the said remonstrances and documents were
Laid on the table.

A motion was made by Mr. Tutwiler, that Tuesday afternoon next be appropriated for the consideration of the bills entitled as follow, viz.

No. 135, "A supplement to an act, entitled An act to raise, by way of lottery, a sum not exceeding four thousand dollars, for purchasing a lot or lots of ground, building a school house and house for religious worship thereon, in the borough of Bedford."

No. 403, "An act to raise, by way of lottery, a sum not exceeding two thousand dollars, for erecting a house of public worship at or near the village of Bath, in the county of Northampton."

No. 266, "An act vesting a title to a certain tract of land in trustees, for the benefit of congregations therein mentioned."

No. 345, "A further supplement to the act, entitled An act to authorise the Governor to incorporate a company for erecting a bridge over the river Susquehanna, at or near the town of Cattawissa."

No. 435, "An act to encourage the destruction of bears."

No. 434, "An act to annul the trust of certain public landings and wharves in the Northern Liberties, Philadelphia county, vested in the commissioners of the incorporated district of the Northampton Liberties, and for other purposes."

No. 174, "An act to annul the marriage of Peter Hutz and Mary his wife."

No. 524, "An act appointing commissioners to view and lay out a state road from Landisburg to Carlisle, by way of Waggoner's gap, and to authorise the said commissioners to open and improve the same."

Which was disagreed to.

A motion was made by Mr. Ringland, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the commonwealth of Pennsylvania, in General Assembly met, That the Governor be and he is hereby authorised and requested to appoint a board of officers, to consist of not less than three nor more than five, whose duty it shall be to collect such information and opinions of military officers and others, in different parts of the state, as they shall deem necessary, with a view to a revision of the militia laws of this commonwealth; and having obtained such information, it shall be the duty of said board to digest the same, and report the result, together with a bill, to the next Legislature, at the commencement of the session; and the officers so appointed shall receive for

their services such compensation as may be provided by an act of the next Legislature.

Laid on the table.

Mr. Eldred obtained leave to withdraw the petitions and documents of Jesse Torrey.

Mr. Harrison, from the committee of ways and means, reported a bill, No. 540, entitled "An act making appropriations to defray certain expenses of government."

Which bill was read, and made the order of the day for Monday, the 2d April next.

Mr. Lehman, from the committee on inland navigation and internal improvement, made a report (No. 276) relative to the Pennsylvania and Maryland canal, accompanied with a bill, No. 541, entitled "An act to provide for the further surveys of canal routes."

Which bill was read, and made the order of the day for Wednesday, the 4th April next.

Mr. Lehman, from the committee on inland navigation and internal improvement, made a report (No. 277) relative to surveys of streams flowing into the Susquehanna and Allegheny rivers, accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to make any further appropriations for the improvement of the natural channels of rivers or creeks, until after the various canal routes in contemplation are surveyed and determined upon. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time.

And being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Petrikin, to amend the same by adding thereto, "so far as relates to these streams and creeks."

And on the question,

Will the House agree so to amend?

A motion was made by Mr. P. Stephens, to postpone the question, together with the resolution, for the present.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Lehman, from the committee on inland navigation and internal improvement, reported a bill, No. 542, entitled "An act to authorise an examination of the river Monongahela, from the city of Pittsburg to the dividing line between Virginia and Pennsylvania, with a view to ascertain the practicability of improving it by a slack water navigation, or constructing a canal along its banks."

Which bill was read, and

Laid on the table.

Mr. Scudder, from the committee to whom was, on yesterday, committed the bill No. 223, entitled "An act to lay out and improve a road on the east side of the Susquehanna river, from the borough of Sunbury, through Georgetown, to Rodgers' ferry, and for other purposes," reported the same, together with the bills entitled as follow, viz.

No. 227, "An act granting a sum of money to aid in opening and improving a certain state road therein mentioned."

No. 470, "An act appropriating a sum of money to open a state road through part of Fayette county."

No. 183, "An act appropriating a sum of money for opening and improving the state road commencing at the town of Warren, in the county of Warren, and ending on the Susquehanna and Waterford turnpike road, in Jefferson county."

No. 162, "An act appropriating a sum of money for opening and improving that part of the state road from Smethport, in M'Kean county, in a western direction to the western line of the state, which lies in the county of Crawford."

Laid on the table.

Mr. Haines, from the committee appointed for the purpose, reported a bill, No. 543, entitled "An act authorising the Governor to subscribe for _____ copies of maps of a geological and mineralogical survey of the state of Pennsylvania."

Which bill was read, and made the order of the day for Wednesday, the 4th of April next.

Mr. Whitlatch, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 29th instant, a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill, No. 544, entitled "An act to annul the marriage contract of Thomas B. Bussy and Rebecca his wife."

Which bill was read, and

Laid on the table.

Mr. Petrikin, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 21st February, the report of the Auditor General, relative to the accounts of the canal commissioners, reported a bill, No. 545, entitled "An act fixing the compensation of the state engineers and their assistants."

Which bill was read, and made the order of the day for Tuesday, the 3d of April next.

Mr. P. Stephens, from the committee to whom had been referred the petition and documents of the heirs of Elisha Mathewson, made a report, (No. 278,) agreeably to a resolution of the 5th instant.

Which was read, and

Laid on the table.

On motion,

Ordered, That the usual number of copies of the said report be printed for the use of the members.

Mr. Petrikin, from the committee appointed for the purpose, reported an address (No. 279) for the removal of justice Phelps from office.

Laid on the table.

On leave given,

A motion was made by Mr. Krepps, and read as follows, viz.

Whereas, the constitution of this commonwealth has, upon a trial of more than thirty six years, been found defective in some of its provisions, particularly in vesting in the executive too ex-

tensive and uncontrolled a power of appointment, and too undefined and unlimited a discretion as to the number of justices of the peace, as well as in giving to these and other judicial officers, too permanent a tenure of office: *And whereas*, the numerous offices in the gift of the chief magistrate of this commonwealth nourish an inordinate spirit of ambition, avarice and rivalry, and expose the public virtue and integrity to temptations dangerous to the purity and perpetuity of our republican system of government, and a remedy for these evils is highly desirable, and can only be found in a revision and amendment of the constitution: *And whereas*, it is important that the opinion of the people of this commonwealth should be had again, on the propriety of calling a convention.

Therefore,

Be it Resolved, That a committee be appointed to inquire into the expediency of bringing in a bill, with such provisions as will enable the people to vote at the next general election for or against a convention, to revise and amend the constitution of this commonwealth, thereby to ascertain whether the people, the source of all power, are favorably disposed to such a call.

Laid on the table.

The bill No. 172, entitled "An act for raising, by way of lottery, the sum of sixty thousand dollars, for defraying the expenses of introducing water into the city of Lancaster," was read the third time.

And on the question,

Shall the same pass?

A motion was made by Mr. Kerr, to postpone the question, together with the bill, for the present.

Which was disagreed to.

And the question recurring,

Shall the bill pass?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Brown of Allegheny and Mr. Overholzer, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. Ellis	Mr. H. Miller
Atkinson	Evans	J. Miller
Aughinbaugh	Farrell	Overholzer
Barber	W. B. Foster	Patterson
Beatty	Gebhart	Petrikia
G. Bell	Good	Scudder
Bell, Leb.	Hottenstein	F. Smith
Bonner	Ihrle	Snyder
Boyer	Irwin	P. Stephens
Brown, Lan.	James	J. Stevens
Burden	Kennedy	Thomas
Buyers	Krepps	Tatwiler
Cooper	Lauman	Walker
Cope	McClure	Woltersberger
Cummins	M'Ewen	Woolverton
Dillinger	Matheys, Mont.	Ritner, Sp'r.
Eldred	G. Miller	

NAYS.

Mr. Bell, West.	Mr. Knight	Mr. Nicholson
Binder	Lawson	Pearson
Blair	Lehman	Pennypacker
Brown, Allegh.	M'Bride	Ramsey
Cunningham	M'Creery	Rankin
Denny	M'Sherry	Ringland
Dunlap	Martin	J. R. C. Smith
W. Forster	Mathews, Cam.	Thompson
Haines	Matts	Whitlatch
Harrison	Meredith	Wilson
Hergesheimer	R. Miller	Wise
Kerr		

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So the question was determined in the affirmative. And

Ordered, That the Clerk present the said bill to the Senate for concurrence.

The bill from the Senate, No. 351, entitled "An act supplementary to an act, for building a bridge over the river Schuylkill, opposite Norristown, in the county of Montgomery," was read the third time.

And on the question,

Shall the same pass?

A motion was made by Mr. Evans, to postpone the question, together with the bill, until Monday next.

Which was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Snyder,

The House resumed the consideration of the bill No. 11, postponed on the 2d January last, entitled "An act for the relief of Joseph H. Fenemore."

And the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the report of the committee of the whole?

It was determined in the negative.

The first section being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Snyder, to amend the same by striking therefrom these words,

"That the State Treasurer be and he is hereby authorised and directed to pay to Joseph H. Fenemore, of the county of Philadelphia, one hundred and seventy-two dollars, as full compensation for furnishing the second brigade, first division, Pennsylvania militia, with music on the days of training, in the spring of the year one thousand eight hundred and twenty-three," and inserting in lieu thereof these words, "That the Auditor General be and he is hereby authorised and directed to settle and adjust the account of Joseph H. Fenemore, for supplying the second brigade, first division, Pennsylvania militia, with music, in the year one thousand eight hundred and twenty-three, in the same manner and making to him the same allowances therefor that he admitted in the accounts of the brigade inspectors of the city and

county of Philadelphia, in the settlement of their accounts for music furnished their brigades in the years eighteen hundred and twenty-two and twenty-four.

Which was agreed to.

The section as amended was agreed to.

The title was considered and agreed to. And

Ordered, That the bill be transcribed for the third reading.

A motion was made by Mr. Farrell and Mr. Hergesheimer, they being in the majority, to re-consider the vote given on yesterday, on transcribing for the third reading the bill No. 123, entitled "An act to enable the Chambersburg and Easton water companies to raise a sum of money by way of lottery."

Which was agreed to.

The bill being again before the House,

And on the question,

Shall the same be transcribed for the third reading?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Brown of Allegheny and Mr. Ringland, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Agnew
Aughinbaugh
Barber
G. Bell
Bell, Leb.
Bell, West.
Bonner
Boyer
Brown, Lan.
Burden
Buyers
Cooper
Cummin
Dorrance

Mr. Eldred
Evans
Gebhart
Good
Hergesheimer
Hottenstein
Ihrle
James
Kennedy
Lauman
G. Miller
H. Miller
J. Miller

Mr. Overholzer
Patterson
Petrikin
Scudder
F. Smith
J. R. C. Smith
Snyder
Thomas
Tutwiler
Walker
Wise
Wolfsberger
Woolverton

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NAYS.

Mr. Binder
Blair
Brown, Allegh.
Cunningham
Denny
Dillinger
Duncan
Dunlap
Fackenthal
W. Forster
Haines
Harrison

Mr. Irwin
Kerr
Lawson
Lehman
M'Bride
M'Clure
M'Creery
M'Ewen
Madden
Martin
Mathews, Cam.
Matts

Mr. Meredith
R. Miller
Nicholson
Pennypacker
Ramsey
Rankin
Ringland
Shannon
Thompson
Wilson
Ritner, Sp'r.

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So the question was determined in the affirmative.

On motion of Mr. J. Miller,

The House again resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Madden in the chair, on the bill No. 354, entitled "An act directing the manner of appropriating the proceeds of real estate sold by sheriffs and coroners."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with amendments.

On motion of Mr. Ellis,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Kerr in the chair, on the bill No. 442, entitled "An act to alter the terms of holding the courts of common pleas, and to establish courts of general common pleas."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with amendments.

On motion of Mr. Knight,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Woolverton in the chair, on the bill No. 512, entitled "A supplement to the act, entitled An act to provide for the erection of a poor house, for the better relief and employment of the poor, in the townships of Oxford and Lower Dublin, in the county of Philadelphia."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with amendments.

Adjourned until 9 o'clock on Monday morning next.



MONDAY, April 2, 1827.

The Speaker laid before the House a letter from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, accompanied with sundry depositions, interrogatories and cross-examinations, taken on a complaint against John Walborn, a justice of the peace of Dauphin county, before Jacob Bucher, Esq. an associate judge of the said county.

Which were read, and

Laid on the table.

The Speaker laid before the House the proceedings of a meeting of the citizens of the town of Allegheny, and township of Ross, in the county of Allegheny, remonstrating against an alteration of the boundaries of the said town.

Mr. Fackenthall presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Bucks and Northampton counties, praying for the construction of a canal along the valley of the Delaware river, and that measures may be taken to connect the Susquehanna and Delaware rivers by a canal in Northampton county.

And the said proceedings and petition, were

Laid on the table.

Mr. Boyer presented the petition and documents of Solomon Weiser, of Berks county, stating his services in the revolutionary war, and praying relief.

Mr. Thompson presented the petition and documents of Samuel Beatty, of the state of Maryland, stating his services in the revolutionary war, and praying relief.

And the said petitions and documents were referred to the committee on claims.

A motion was made by Mr. Knight, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That the Speaker draw his warrant on the State Treasurer, in favor of John S. Wiestling, printer of the English journal of this House, for one thousand dollars, to be accounted for in the settlement of his account. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

On motion of Mr. M'Creery,

Ordered, That the committee on claims be discharged from the further consideration of the petitions and documents of Jacob Eyler and Robert Wright.

The House resumed the third reading of the bill from the Senate, No. 351, postponed on Saturday last, entitled "An act supplementary to an act for building a bridge over the river Schuylkill, opposite Norristown, in the county of Montgomery."

And the question recurring,

Shall the bill pass?

It was determined in the affirmative. And

Ordered, That the Clerk return the said bill to the Senate.

The bill No. 123, entitled "An act to enable the Chambersburg and Easton water companies to raise a sum of money by way of lottery," was read the third time.

And on the question,

Shall the same pass?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Kerr and Mr. Matts, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Agnew
Aughinbaugh
G. Bell
Bell, Leb.
Bell, West,
Binder
Bonner

Mr. Boyer
Brown, Lan.
Burden
Buyers
Cooper
Cope
Cummin

Mr. Dillinger
Eldred
Evans
Farrell
Gebhart
Good
Hergesheimer

YEAS

Mr. Hottenstein	Mr. Mathewson	Mr. J. R. C. Smith
Ihrle	G. Miller	Snyder
James	H. Miller	P. Stephens
Kennedy	J. Miller	J. Stevens
Krepps	Patterson	Thomas
Lauman	Pearson	Walker
M'Ewen	Petrikina	Wise
M'Reynolds	Scudder	Wolford
M'Sherry	F. Smith	Woolverton
Matheys, Mont.		

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NAYS.

Mr. Blair	Mr. Irwin	Mr. R. Miller
Bonsall	Kerr	Nicholson
Brown, Allegh.	Lawson	Pennypacker
Cunningham	Lehman	Ramsey
Denny	M'Clure	Rankin
Fackenthall	M'Creery	Ringland
W. Forster	Martin	Shannon
W. B. Foster	Matts	Thompson
Haines	Meredith	Ritner, Sp'r.
Harrison		

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So the question was determined in the affirmative. And
Ordered, That the Clerk present the said bill to the Senate for concurrence.

The bill No. 11, entitled "An act for the relief of Joseph H. Fennemore," was read the third time and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk present the said bill to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House again resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Ringland in the chair, on the resolutions relative to the final adjournment of the Legislature, and the rule relative to the transmission and reception of bills.

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the same with one amendment. And

On motion,

The said resolutions were read the second time.

And the first resolution being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Meredith, to postpone the further consideration of the same until Wednesday next.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the postponement?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Krepps and Mr. Matts, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Beatty	Mr. Blair	Mr. Cummin
G. Bell	Bonsall	Cunningham
Bell, Leb.	Brown, Allegh.	Denny
Binder	Burden	Duncan

YEAS.

Mr. Eldred
W. B. Foster
Haines
Harrison
Hergesheimer
Lawson
Lehman
M'Clure
M'Creery
M'Reynolds

Mr. Madden
Mathewson
Meredith
J. Miller
Patterson
Pearson
Pennypacker
Petrikin
Rankin

Mr. Scudder
Shannon
J. R. C. Smith
Snyder
P. Stephens
Thomas
Wise
Woolverton
Ritner, *Sp'r.*

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NAYS.

Mr. Agnew
Aughinbaugh
Bell, West.
Bonner
Boyd
Boyer
Brown, Lan.
Buyers
Cooper
Cope
Dillinger
Evans
Fackenthall
Farrell
W. Forster
Gebhart

Mr. Good
Hottenstein
Ihrle
Irwin
James
Kennedy
Kerr
Knight
Krepps
Lauman
M'Bride
M'Ewen
M'Sherry
Martin
Mathews, Cam.
Matheys, Mont.

Mr. Matts
G. Miller
H. Miller
R. Miller
Nicholson
Ramsey
Ringland
F. Smith
J. Stevens
Thompson
Tutwiler
Walker
Whitlatch
Wilson
Wolford

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So the question was determined in the negative.

A motion was then made by Mr. Lehman, to postpone the further consideration of the resolution for the present.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Krepps and Mr. W. Forster, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Atkinson
Beatty
G. Bell
Binder,
Blair
Bonsall
Boyer
Brown, Allegh.
Burden
Cummin
Cunningham
Denny
Duncan

Mr. Eldred
Ellis
Fackenthall
W. B. Foster
Haines
Harrison
Hergesheimer
Ihrle
Kennedy
Knight
Lawson
Lehman
M'Clure

Mr. M'Creery
M'Ewen
M'Reynolds
Madden
Martin
Mathewson
Meredith
J. Miller
Patterson
Pearson
Pennypacker
Petrikin
Rankin

YEAS.

Mr. Scudder
Shannon
J. R. C. Smith
Snyder

Mr. P. Stephens
Thomas
Wilson

Mr. Wise
Woolverton
Ritner, *Sp'r.*

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NAYS.

Mr. Agnew
Aughinbaugh
Bell, West.
Bonner
Boyer
Brown, Lan.
Buyers.
Cooper
Cope
Dillinger
Dunlap
Evans
Farrell

Mr. W. Forster
Gebhart
Good
Hottenstein
Irwin
James
Kerr
Krepps
Lauman
M'Bride
M'Sheriy
Matheys, Mont.
Matts

Mr. G. Miller
H. Miller
R. Miller
Nicholson
Ramsey
Ringland
F. Smith
J. Stevens
Thompson
Tutwiler
Walker
Whitlatch
Wolford

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So the question was determined in the affirmative.

A motion was made by Mr. Krepps, that the House proceed to the second reading of the resolution read on Saturday last, relative to the call of a convention to amend the constitution of this commonwealth.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Krepps and Mr. Fackenthal, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Agnew
Atkinson
Beatty
Bell, Leb.
Binder
Bonsall
Buyers
Cooper
Dunlap
Eldred
Gebhart
Hottenstein
Ihrle

Mr. Irwin
James
Kennedy
Kerr
Krepps
Lauman
M'Clure
M'Creery
M'Reynolds
Matts
J. Miller
Nicholson
Ramsey

Mr. Rankin
Ringland
Scudder
Shannon
P. Stephens
J. Stevens
Whitlatch
Wilson
Wise
Wolford
Woolverton
Ritner, *Sp'r.*

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NAYS.

Mr. Aughinbaugh
G. Bell
Bell, West.
Blair
Bonner

Mr. Boyd
Boyer
Brown, Allegh.
Brown, Lan.
Burden

Mr. Cope
Cummin
Cunningham
Denny
Dillinger

NAIS.

Mr. Duncan	Mr. Knight	Mr. R. Miller
Ellis	Lawson	Patterson
Evans	Lehman	Pearson
Fackenthall	M'Bride	Pennypacker
Farrell	M'Ewen	F. Smith
W. Forster	M'Sherry	J. R. C. Smith
W. B. Foster	Martin	Snyder
Good	Matheys, Mont.	Thomas
Haines	Meredith	Thompson
Harrison	G. Miller	Tutwiler
Hergesheimer	H. Miller	Walker

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So the question was determined in the negative.

A motion was made by Mr. Ringland, that the House proceed to the consideration of the resolution read on Saturday last, relative to the appointment of a board of militia officers to revise the militia laws.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Ellis and Mr. Good, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Fackenthall	Mr. Pearson
Beatty	Gebhart	Ramsey
G. Bell	Harrison	Ringland
Bell Leb.	Ihrle	Shannon
Bell, West.	Irwin	F. Smith
Binder	Kennedy	J. R. C. Smith
Bonsall	Kerr	J. Stevens
Brown, Allegh.	Knight	Thomas
Burden	Krepps	Walker
Cammin	Lauman	Whitlatch
Cunningham	Madden	Wilson
Denny	Martin	Wolford
Dillinger	Matheys, Mont.	Woolverton
Duncan	Matts	Ritner, Sp'r.
Dunlap	Nicholson	

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NAIS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. W. B. Foster	Mr. Meredith
Aughinbaugh	Good	G. Miller
Blair	Haines	H. Miller
Bonner	Hergesheimer	R. Miller
Boyd	Hottenstein	Patterson
Boyer	M'Bride	Pennypacker
Brown, Lan.	M'Clure	Petrikin
Cooper	M'Ewen	Rankin
Cope	M'Reynolds	P. Stephens
Ellis	M'Sherry	Thompson
Evans	Mathewson	Wise
Farrell		

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So the question was determined in the affirmative.

Whereupon,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Ihrie in the chair, on the said resolution.

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the resolution without amendment. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time.

And being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. J. R. C. Smith, to amend the same by striking therefrom these words, "and the officers so appointed shall receive for their services such compensation as may be provided by an act of the next Legislature," and inserting in lieu thereof these words, "and the said officers shall receive no compensation for their services."

And on the question,

Will the House agree so to amend?

A motion was made by Mr. Binder, to postpone the question, and that the resolution be recommended to the early attention of the next Legislature.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Ringland and Mr. Petrikin, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Aughinbaugh
Beatty
G. Bell
Bell, West.
Binder
Blair
Bonner
Boyd
Boyer
Brown, Lan.
Buyers
Cooper
Cope
Cunningham
Dorrance
Ellis
Evans

Mr. Farrell
W. Forster
Good
Haines
Harrison
Hottenstein
Knight
Lauman
Lehman
M'Bride
M'Clure
M'Ewen
M'Reynolds
M'Sherry
Martin
Mathewson

Mr. Meredith
G. Miller
H. Miller
R. Miller
Patterson
Pennypacker
Petrikin
Rankin
Scudder
Snyder
Thomas
Thompson
Tutwiler
Wise
Wolford
Woolverton

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NAYS.

Mr. Atkinson
Bell, Leb.
Bonsall
Brown, Allegh.
Burden
Cummin

Mr. Denny
Dillinger
Duncan
Dunlap
Eldred
Fackenthal

Mr. W. B. Foster
Gebhart
Hergesheimer
Ihrie
Irwin
James

NAYS.

Mr. Kennedy	Mr. J. Miller	Mr. J. R. C. Smith
Kerr	Nicholson	J. Stevens
Krepps	Pearson	Walker
M'Creery	Ramsey	Whitlaich
Madden	Ringland	Wilson
Matheys, Mont.	Shannon	Ritner, <i>Sp'r.</i>
Matts	F. Smith	

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So the question was determined in the affirmative.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, presented for concurrence the bills entitled as follow, viz.

No. 546. "An act incorporating the Lancaster county academy."

No. 547, "A supplement to an act, entitled An act to alter an act, entitled An act for erecting the town of Carlisle, in the county of Cumberland into a borough &c."

Which bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

No. 548, "An act concerning writs of scire facias."

Which bill was read, and made the order of the day for Monday next.

No. 549, "An act for the relief of Andrew Long, a soldier of the revolution."

No. 550, "An act to enable the commissioners of the county of Philadelphia, to convey certain real estate."

Which bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

He returned the bill No. 27, entitled "An act to annul the marriage contracts of Nicholas Black and Fanny his wife, William Fleming and Rebecca his wife, and John C. Hall, otherwise John Hill, and Matilda his wife."

And informed,

That the Senate have passed said bill with amendments, in which the concurrence of the House of Representatives is requested.

The first amendment to the said bill was read, considered and non-concurred in, and the remaining amendments were considered and concurred in. And

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate of the same.

And further informed,

That the Senate have concurred in the amendments by the House of Representatives to the bill No. 443, entitled "An act relative to the eastern and western penitentiaries."

And have non-concurred in the amendments by the House of Representatives, and have appointed Messrs Hawkins, King and Kerlin, a committee of conference to confer with a similar committee of the House of Representatives, if that House should appoint such committee, on said amendments to the bill No. 242, entitled "An act abolishing the Middle, Southern and Lancaster

districts of the supreme court, and establishing one at Harrisburg."

On motion of Mr. Irwin, the House insisted upon the said amendments. And

Ordered, That Messrs. Irwin, Scudder, F. Smith, Ellis and Wise, be a committee to confer with the committee of the Senate upon the said amendments.

On motion of Mr. Denny,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. P. Stephens in the chair, on the resolution No. 529, relative to the support of the western penitentiary.

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Leave was granted. And

Ordered, That the committee of the whole sit again on to-morrow.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, presented an extract from their journal, which was read as follows, viz.

"IN THE SENATE,

APRIL 2, 1827.

On motion,

Messrs. Seltzer and Hunt were appointed additional members of the committee already appointed on the subject of the amendments to the bill No. 242, entitled "An act abolishing the Middle, Southern and Lancaster districts of the supreme court, and establishing one at Harrisburg."

Laid on the table.

Adjourned until 3 o'clock this afternoon.

SAME DAY.

A motion was made that the House adjourn.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Krepps and Mr. Cope, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Binder
Bonsall
Brown, Allegh.
Fackenthal
W. B. Foster
Harrison

Mr. Kerr
M'Creery
M'Reynolds
Matheys, Mont.
Matts

Mr. Meredith
Ramsey
Ringland
P. Stephens
Ritner, Sp'r.

NAYS.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Evans	Mr. G. Miller
Aughinbaugh	Farrell	J. Miller
Beatty	Gebhart	R. Miller
G. Bell	Good	Nicholson
Bonner	Hottenstein	Patterson
Burden	James	Pearson
Buyers	Kennedy	Pennypacker
Cooper	Knight	F. Smith
Cope	Krepps	Thompson
Cummin	Lawson	Whitlatch
Cunningham	M'Sherry	Wise
Denny	Madden	Wolford
Dunlap	Mathews, Cam.	Woolverton 39

So the question was determined in the negative.

The next order being the bill from the Senate, No. 509, entitled
 "An act concerning unpatented lands."

And on the question,

Will the House proceed to the consideration of the same?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Thompson and Mr. Krepps, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Aughinbaugh	Mr. Dunlap	Mr. G. Miller
Bell, Leb.	Eldred	J. Miller
Bell, West.	Farrell	R. Miller
Binder	W. B. Foster	Patterson
Bonner	Gebhart	Pearson
Brown, Lan.	Good	Pennypacker
Burden	Haines	Shannon
Buyers	Hottenstein	F. Smith
Cooper	Ihrie	Thompson
Cummin	Kennedy	Wolford
Cunningham	Knight	Woolverton
Denny	M'Sherry	35

NAYS.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Kerr	Mr. Matts
Beatty	Krepps	Meredith
G. Bell	Lawson	Nicholson
Bonsall	M'Bride	Ramsey
Brown, Allegh.	M'Clure	Rankin
Cope	M'Creery	Ringland
Evans	M'Reynolds	J. R. C. Smith
Fackenthall	Madden	P. Stephens
Harrison	Mathews, Cam.	Whitlatch
Irwin	Matheys, Mont.	Wise
James	Mathewson	Ritner, Sp'r, 38

So the question was determined in the affirmative.

Whereupon,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. W. B. Foster in the chair, on the said bill.

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Leave was granted. And

Ordered, That the committee of the whole sit again on the 9th inst.

The House resumed the consideration of the bill No. 54, entitled "A supplement to the act, entitled An act making appropriations for certain internal improvements, and for other purposes."

And the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the new section?

It was determined in the negative.

The preamble and title were severally considered and agreed to.

And on the question,

Shall the bill be transcribed for the third reading?

A motion was made by Mr. Kerr, to postpone the question, together with the bill, until to-morrow.

Which was agreed to.

The bill No. 167, entitled "An act to appropriate a sum of money to build a bridge across the Conodoguinet creek, in Cumberland county," was read the second time.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the section?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Harrison and Mr. Pearson, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. Dunlap	Mr. Mathewson
Atkinson	Eldred	H. Miller
Aughinbaugh	Evans	J. Miller
G. Bell	Farrell	Scudder
Bell, Leb.	Gebhart	F. Smith
Blair	Good	J. R. C. Smith
Bonner	Lauman	J. Stevens
Boyer	M'Bride	Wilson
Cooper	M'Reynolds	Wolford
Cope	M'Sherry	Woolverton
Cummin	Matheys, Mont.	Ritner, Sp'r.
Dorrance		

NAYS.

Mr. Beatty	Mr. Burden	Mr. Fackenthall
Bell, West.	Buyers	W. Forster
Binder	Cunningham	W. B. Foster
Bonsall	Denny	Haines
Brown, Allegh.	Dillinger	Harrison
Brown, Lan.	Ellis	Hergesheimer

YAYS.

Mr. Ihrie	Mr. M'Ewen	Mr. Petrikin
Irwin	Mathews, Cam.	Ramsey
James	Martin	Rankin
Kerr	Meredith	Ringland
Knight	G. Miller	Shannon
Krepps	R. Miller	Thomas
Lawson	Nicholson	Thompson
Lehman	Patterson	Whitlatch
M'Clure	Pearson	Wise
M'Creery	Pennypacker	

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So the question was determined in the negative.

The bill No. 249, entitled "An act in aid of repairing the state road from Carlisle to fort Littleton," was read the second time.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the first section?

It was determined in the negative.

The bill No. 213, entitled "An act to improve a certain public road crossing Flint Hill, in Northampton county," was read the second time.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the first section?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Haines and Mr. Harrison, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. G. Bell	Mr. Eldred	Mr. Lehman
Blair	Evans	M'Reynolds
Boyer	Fackenthall	Mathewson
Brown, Allegh.	Gebhart	Matts
Brown, Lan.	Good	J. R. C. Smith
Cope	Hottenstein	P. Stephens
Cummin	Ihrie	J. Stevens
Cunningham	Irwin	Wilson
Denny	Kennedy	Woolverton
Dunlap		

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NAYS.

Mr. Bell, West.	Mr. James	Mr. R. Miller
Binder	Kerr	Nicholson
Bonner	Knight	Patterson
Bonsall	Lauman	Pearson
Burden	Lawson	Pennypacker
Cooper	M'Bride	Petrikin
Dillinger	M'Clure	Ramsey
Dorrance	M'Creery	Rankin
Ellis	M'Ewen	Ringland
Farrell	M'Sherry	F. Smith
W. Forster	Madden	Thompson
W. B. Foster	Meredith	Whitlatch
Haines	G. Miller	Wise
Harrison	H. Miller	Wolford
Hergesheimer	J. Miller	Ritner, Sp'r.

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So the question was determined in the negative.

The remaining sections were severally considered and disagreed to.

The bill No. 273, entitled "An act to authorise Jacob Crawford, Abel Lee Crawford, Josiah Crawford and James S. Crawford, to erect a dam on the Monongahela river, and for other purposes," was read the second time, considered and disagreed to.

The bill No. 124, entitled an act to authorise Joseph M'Cune to erect swinging gates or racks, across the south west branch of the Frankstown branch of the river Juniata," was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered to be transcribed for the third reading.

The bill No. 375, entitled "A supplement to the several acts for the inspection of staves and heading," was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered to be transcribed for the third reading.

The bill No. 150, entitled "An act to erect the town of Elizabethtown, in the county of Lancaster, into a borough," was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered, to be transcribed for the third reading.

The title being amended by adding thereto these words, "and supplementary to the acts incorporating the towns of Williamsport and Jersey Shore, and for other purposes."

The bill from the Senate, No. 131, entitled "An act to lay out a state road from New Geneva, in Fayette county, through Greensburg, in Greene county, to the Virginia line, in a direction of the mouth of Fishing creek," was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered to be prepared for the third reading.

The bill from the Senate, No. 490, entitled "An act authorising the Dauphin and Susquehanna coal company to make Stony creek, in Dauphin county, a slack water navigation, and supplementary to an act, entitled An act to incorporate the Dauphin and Susquehanna coal company, passed April 5, 1826," was read the second time.

And the 1st to the 11th sections inclusive, were severally considered and agreed to.

The 12th section being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Lehman to amend the same by striking from the 7th line "Susquehanna river," and inserting in lieu thereof "said."

Which was agreed to.

And the section as amended was agreed to.

The 13th and 14th sections were severally considered and agreed to.

The 15th section being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Meredith, to amend the same by striking therefrom all that follows the enacting clause, viz. "That nothing in this act shall be construed to interfere with the right which the state may exercise to take a supply of water from said Stony creek for the use of the Pennsylvania canal," and inserting in lieu thereof the following words, viz. "That nothing in this

act shall be construed to affect the right of this commonwealth to take the supply of water from the said creek for the use of the Pennsylvania canal, making compensation to the Dauphin and Susquehanna coal company, or other persons whose property may be thereby injured, as provided by law in other cases."

The amendment being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Petrikin, to amend the same by adding thereto the following words, viz. "*And provided*, the state shall not require the water of said creek as a feeder for the Pennsylvania canal, within one year from the passage of this act."

Which was disagreed to.

And the amendment recurring.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the same?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Petrikin and Mr. Farrell, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Bell, Leb.	Mr. James	Mr. Pearson
Blair	Lauman	Pennypacker
Bonsall	Lehman	Rankin
Burden	M'Ewen	Shannon
Denny	M'Sherry	F. Smith
Dorrance	Mathewson	J. R. C. Smith
W. B. Foster	Meredith	Thompson
Hergesheimer	R. Müller	

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NAYS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. Fackenthall	Mr. G. Miller
Beatty	Farrell	H. Miller
G. Bell	W. Forster	J. Miller
Bell, West.	Good	Nicholson
Binder	Harrison	Patterson
Boyer	Hottenstein	Petrikin
Brown, Lan.	Ihrig	Ramsey
Buyers	Kerr	Ringland
Cooper	Krepps	Scudder
Cunmin	M'Bride	Thomas
Cunningham	M'Creery	Whitlatch
Dillinger	M'Reynolds	Wilson
Dunlap	Mathews, Cam.	Wise
Ellis	Matheys, Mont.	Woolverton
Evans	Matts	Ritner, Sp'r.

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So the question was determined in the negative.

And the 15th section recurring.

A motion was made by Mr. Lehman, to postpone the further consideration of the same, together with the bill, until to-morrow.

Which was agreed to.

Adjourned until 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

TUESDAY, April 3, 1827.

Mr. Cunningham presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Mercer county, praying for certain alterations in the hundred dollar law.

Which was referred to the committee on the judiciary system.

On motion of Mr. Boyer,

Ordered. That the bill No. 522, entitled "An act regulating election districts," be the first order for this afternoon.

Mr. Ellis gave notice, that on to-morrow he would ask leave to bring in a bill for the purpose of repealing so much of the 6th section of the act 10th April, 1826, entitled "An act relative to the state penitentiary in the county of Allegheny," as authorises solitary confinement therein without labour.

Mr. Irwin obtained leave of absence from Thursday next, for the remainder of the session.

Mr. Martin obtained leave of absence from Friday next, for the remainder of the session.

Mr. Denny, from the committee of ways and means, to whom were referred sundry petitions praying for the repeal of the act relative to collateral inheritances, made a report, (No. 280,) accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to repeal the act relating to collateral inheritances, and that the committee be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Which was read, and

Laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Brown of Allegheny,

Ordered. That the usual number of copies of the said report be printed for the use of the members.

On motion of Mr. P. Stephens,

Ordered. That when this House adjourns this afternoon, it will adjourn to meet at half past seven o'clock this evening, for the purpose of considering the bill No. 471, entitled "A supplement to the act entitled "An act for the purpose of adjusting the titles to lands in Bedford and Ulster townships, in Luzerne and Lycoming counties, passed the 19th day of March, 1810."

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Krepps, from the committee to whom was referred, on the 30th ultimo, a petition on the subject, on leave given, reported a bill,

No. 551, entitled "An act for the relief of George Banks, of Fayette county."

Which bill was read, and

Laid on the table.

The bills entitled as follow, were severally read the third time and passed, and

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence, viz;

No. 124, "An act to authorize Joseph M'Cune to erect swinging gates or racks across the south west branch of the Frankstown branch of the river Juniata."

No. 375, "A supplement to the several acts for the inspection of staves and heading."

No. 150, "An act to erect the town of Elizabethtown, in the county of Lancaster, into a borough, and supplementary to the acts incorporating the towns of Williamsport and Jersey Shore, and for other purposes."

The bill from the Senate, No. 131, entitled "An act to lay out a state road from New Geneva, in Fayette county, through Greensburg, in Greene county, to the Virginia line, in the direction of the mouth of Fishing creek," was read the third time, and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate, and request their concurrence in the amendments thereto by this House.

Agreeably to order,

The House again resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Krepps in the chair, on the resolution, No. 506, relative to the creation of water power near Harrisburg.

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the resolution with amendments.

And, on motion,

The said resolution was read the second time.

And being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Dorrance, to amend the same by adding thereto the following proviso, viz. *Provided*, That if there should be more surplus water than can be sold at or near Harrisburg, the canal commissioners are empowered to dispose of the same at other places on the said canal.

Which was agreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Dorrance, that the resolution be committed to a select committee, for the purpose of amendment.

Which was agreed to. And

Ordered, That Messrs. Dorrance, Ellis, Kerr, Scudder and J. Miller be of the committee.

Agreeably to order,

The House again resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Bonsall in the chair, on the resolution, No. 529, relative to the support of the western penitentiary.

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the resolution with amendments.

And, on motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted. And

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, returned the bill No. 451, entitled "An act to provide for the further extension of the Pennsylvania canal."

And informed,

That the Senate have passed said bill with amendments, in which the concurrence of the House of Representatives is requested.

The amendments by the Senate to the said bill were read, and on motion of Mr. Lehman, the same were read the second time.

When a motion was made by Mr. Lehman, that the House concur in the said amendments.

The motion being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Bonner, that the motion, together with the amendments and bill, be postponed indefinitely.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the indefinite postponement?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Bonner and Mr. G. Miller.

When a motion was made by Mr. Ellis, that the roll be called.

Which was agreed to.

And the roll being called, it appeared that the following members were present, viz.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. Duncan	Mr. M'Bride
Atkinson	Dunlap	M'Clure
Aughinbaugh	Ellis	M'Creery
Beatty	Evans	M'Ewen
G. Bell	Fackenthall	M'Reynolds
Bell, Leb	Farrell	M'Sherry
Bell, West	W. Forster	Madden
Binder	W. B. Foster	Martin
Blair	Gebhart	Mathews, Cam
Bonner	Good	Mathews, Mont.
Bonsall	Haines	Mathewson
Boyd	Harrison	Matts
Boyer	Hergesheimer	Meredith
Brown, Allegh	Hottenstein	G. Miller
Burden	Ihrig	H. Miller
Buyers	Irwin	J. Miller
Cooper	Kennedy	R. Miller
Cope	Kerr	Nicholson
Cummin	Knight	Patterson
Cunningham	Krepps	Pearson
Denny	Lauman	Pennypacker
Dillinger	Lawson	Ramsey
Dorrance	Lehman	Rankin

Mr. Ringland	Mr. J. Stevens	Mr. Wilson
Scudder	Thompson	Wolford
Shannon	Tutwiler	Woolverton
F. Smith	Walker	Ritner, Sp'r.
J. R. C. Smith	Whitlatch	

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And the following members were absent, viz.

Mr. Alter	Mr. Hetrick	Mr. Snyder
Barber	James	P. Stephens
Becker	Mallery	Thomas
Bertolet	Overholzer	Wise
Brown, Lan	Petrikín	Wolfersberger.
Eldred	Rahn	

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A motion was then made by Mr. Ellis, that the Sergeant-at-Arms be directed by the Speaker to bring in the members who are absent without leave of the House.

Which was disagreed to.

And the question recurring on the indefinite postponement, The yeas and nays were as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. Dunlap	Mr. M'Sherry
Aughinbaugh	Evans	Matts
Bell, Leb.	Farrell	G. Miller
Bell, West.	Gebhart	H. Miller
Bonner	Good	Nicholson
Boyer	Hottenstein	F. Smith
Buyers	Irwin	Tutwiler
Cooper	Krepps	Walker
Cope	Lauman	Wolford
Dillinger	M'Bride	

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NAYS.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Harrison	Mr. Patterson
Beatty	Hergesheimer	Pearson
G. Bell	Ihrle	Pennypacker
Binder	Kennedy	Petrikín
Blair	Kerr	Ramsey
Bonsall	Knight	Rankin
Boyd	Lawson	Ringland
Brown, Allegh.	Lehman	Scudder
Burden	M'Clure	Shannon
Cummin	M'Creery	J. R. C. Smith
Cunningham	M'Ewen	P. Stephens
Denny	M'Reynolds	J. Stevens
Dorrance	Madden	Thomas
Duncan	Martin	Thompson
Eldred	Mathews, Cam.	Whitlatch
Ellis	Matheys, Mont.	Wilson
Fackenthall	Mathewson	Wise
W. Forster	Meredith	Woolverton
W. B. Foster	J. Miller	Ritner, Sp'r.
Haines	R. Miller	

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So the question was determined in the negative.

And the question recurring,

Will the House concur in the amendments by the Senate to the said bill?

A motion was made by Mr. Petrikin, to postpone the question, together with the amendments, until 4 o'clock this afternoon.

When a motion was made by Mr. Scudder, that the House adjourn.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Beatty and Mr. Petrikin, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. W. Forster	Mr. G. Miller
Bell Leb.	Gebhart	H. Miller
Bonner	Good	R. Miller
Boyer	Harrison	Nicholson
Buyers	Hottenstein	Petrikin
Cooper	James	Ramsey
Cope	Kerr	Ringland
Cunningham	Lauman	Scudder
Dillinger	M'Clure	Shannon
Dorrance	M'Sherry	J. Stevens
Dunlap	Madden	Walker
Ellis	Matheys, Mont.	Wilson
Evans	Mathewson	Wolford
Farrell	Matts	Ritner, Sp'r. 42

NAYS.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. W. B. Foster	Mr. Meredith
Aughinbaugh	Haines	J. Miller
Beatty	Hergesheimer	Patterson
G. Bell	Ihrle	Pearson
Bell, West.	Irwin	Pennypacker
Binder	Kennedy	Rankin
Blair	Knight	F. Smith
Bonsall	Krepps	J. R. C. Smith
Boyd	Lawson	P. Stephens
Brown, Allegh.	Lehman	Thomas
Burden	M'Bride	Thompson
Cummin	M'Ewen	Tutwiler
Denny	M'Reynolds	Whitlatch
Duncan	Martin	Wise
Eldred	Mathews, Cam.	Woolvertop
Fackenthall		

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So the question was determined in the negative.

And the question recurring,

Will the House agree to postpone the motion, together with the amendments, until 4 o'clock this afternoon?

A motion was made by Mr. Ringland that the House adjourn.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Denny and Mr. Fackenthall, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. W. Forster	Mr. H. Miller
G. Bell	Gebhart	R. Miller
Bell, West.	Good	Nicholson
Bonner	Harrison	Petrikín
Boyer	Hottenstein	Ramsey
Buyers	James	Ringland
Cooper	Kerr	Scudder
Cope	Lauman	Shannon
Cunningham	M'Clure	J. Stevens
Dillinger	M'Sherry	Tutwiler
Dorrance	Madden	Walker
Dunlap	Matheys, Mont.	Whitlatch
Ellis	Matts	Wolford
Evans	G. Miller	Ritner, Sp'r.
Farrell		

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NAYS.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. W. B. Foster	Mr. Mathewson
Aughinbaugh	Haines	Meredith
Beatty	Hergesheimer	J. Miller
Bell, Leb.	Ihrle	Patterson
Binder	Irwin	Pearson
Blair	Kennedy	Pennypacker
Bonsall	Knight	Rankin
Boyd	Krepps	F. Smith
Brown, Allegh.	Lawson	J. R. C. Smith
Burden	Lehman	P. Stephens
Cummin	M'Bride	Thomas
Denny	M'Ewen	Thompson
Duncan	M'Reynolds	Wilson
Eldred	Martin	Wise
Fackenthall	Mathews, Cam.	Woolverton

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So the question was determined in the negative.

And the question recurring,

Will the House agree to postpone the motion, together with the amendments, until 4 o'clock this afternoon?

A motion was made by Mr. Boyer, that the House adjourn.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Fackenthall and Mr. W. B. Foster, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. Farrell	Mr. R. Miller
Aughinbaugh	W. Forster	Nicholson
G. Bell	Gebhart	Petrikin
Bell, West.	Good	Ramsey
Bonner	James	Ringland
Boyer	Kerr	Scudder
Buyers	Lauman	Shannon
Cooper	M'Clure	F. Smith
Cope	M'Creery	J. Stevens
Cunningham	M'Sherry	Tutwiler
Dillinger	Madden	Walker
Dorrance	Matheys, Mont.	Whitlatch
Dunlap	G. Miller	Wolford
Ellis	H. Miller	Ritner, Sp'r. 42

NAYS.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Harrison	Mr. Mathewson
Beatty	Hergesheimer	Matts
Bell, Leb.	Hottenstein	Meredith
Binder	Ihrig	J. Miller
Blair	Irwin	Patterson
Bonsall	Kennedy	Pearson
Boyd	Knight	Pennypacker
Brown, Allegh.	Krepps	Rankin
Burden	Lawson	J. R. C. Smith
Cummin	Lehman	P. Stephens
Denny	M'Bride	Thomas
Duncan	M'Ewen	Thompson
Eldred	M'Reynolds	Wilson
Fackenthal	Martin	Wise
W. B. Foster	Mathews, Cam.	Woolverton
Haines		

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So the question was determined in the negative.

And the question recurring,

Will the House agree to postpone the motion, together with the amendments, until 4 o'clock this afternoon?

It was determined in the affirmative.

On motion of Mr. Meredith,

Ordered, That when this House adjourns, it will adjourn to meet at 4 o'clock this afternoon.

Adjourned until that hour.

SAME DAY.

The House resumed the consideration of the amendments by the Senate to the bill No. 451, entitled "An act to provide for the further extension of the Pennsylvania canal."

And the question recurring,

Will the House concur in the said amendments?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Pearson and Mr. Farrell, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. W. B. Foster	Mr. J. Miller
Beaty	Haines	R. Miller
G. Bell	Harrison	Patterson
Bell, Leb.	Hergesheimer	Pearson
Binder,	Ihrle	Pennypacker
Blair	Kennedy	Petrikia
Bonsall	Kerr	Rankin
Boyd	Knight	Ringland
Brown, Allegh.	Lawson	Scudder
Burden	Lehman	Shannon
Cummin	McClure	J. R. C. Smith
Cunningham	McCreery	P. Stephens
Denny	McEwen	Thomas
Dorrance	McReynolds	Thompson
Duncan	Madden	Whitlatch
Eldred	Martin	Wilson
Ellis	Mathews, Cam.	Wise
Fackenthall	Mathewson	Woolverton
W. Forster	Meredith	Ritner, Spr. 57

NAYS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. Farrell	Mr. G. Miller
Aughinbaugh	Gebhart	H. Miller
Bell, West.	Good	Nicholson
Bonner	Hottenstein	Rahn
Boyer	Irwin	Ramsey
Brown, Lau.	James	F. Smith
Buyers	Krepps	J. Stevens
Cooper	Lauman	Tutwiler
Cope	McBride	Walker
Dillinger	McSherry	Wolfsberger
Dunlap	Matheys, Mont.	Wolford
Evans	Matts	

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So the question was determined in the affirmative. And
Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate of the same.

On motion of Mr. Meredith,

The House resumed the consideration of the resolutions from the Senate, relative to the final adjournment of the Legislature.

And the first resolution being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Thompson, to amend the same by striking therefrom "seventeenth," and inserting in lieu thereof "tenth."

And on the question,

Will the House agree so to amend?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Farrell and Mr. Nicholson, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Aughinbaugh	Mr. Haines	Mr. G. Miller
Bonner	Hottenstein	H. Miller
Bonsall	Irwin	R. Miller
Boyd	Kennedy	Nicholson
Brown, Lan.	Knight	Pennypacker
Buyers	Krepps	Ramsey
Cope	Lauman	Shannon
Dillinger	M'Bride	F. Smith
Evans	M'Sherry	J. Stevens
Farrell	Martin	Thompson
W. Forster	Matheys, Mont.	Wolfersberger
Good	Matts	

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NAYS.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. W. B. Foster	Mr. Patterson
Beatty	Gebhart	Pearson
G. Bell	Harrison	Petrikín
Bell, Leb.	Hergesheimer	Rahn
Binder	Ihríe	Rankin
Blair	James	Ringland
Boyer	Kerr	Scudder
Brown, Allegh.	Lawson	J. R. C. Smith
Burden	Lehman	P. Stephens
Cooper	M'Clure	Thomas
Cummin	M'Creery	Tutwiler
Cunningham	M'Ewen	Walker
Denny	M'Reynolds	Whitlatch
Dorrance	Madden	Wilson
Duncan	Mathews, Cam.	Wise
Dunlap	Mathewson	Wolford
Eldred	Meredith	Woolverton
Ellis	J. Miller	Ritner, Sp'r.
Fackenthall		

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So the question was determined in the negative.

And the resolution was adopted.

The second resolution being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Ellis, to amend the same by striking therefrom "eight," and inserting in lieu thereof "six."

Which was disagreed to.

And the resolution was adopted. And

Ordered, That the Clerk return the said resolutions to the Senate, and request their concurrence in the amendment thereto by this House.

The bill from the Senate, No. 482, entitled "A supplement to the act, entitled An act authorising the Governor to incorporate the Conestogo navigation company," was read the second time; considered and agreed to. And

Ordered to be prepared for the third reading.

The bill No. 576, entitled "An act to improve a certain public road crossing Godfrey's mountain, between Stroudsburg and the Delaware Water Gap, in Northampton county," was read the second time.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the first section?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Ramsey and Mr. Pearson, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Dillinger	Mr. H. Miller
Beatty	Dunlap	J. Miller
G. Bell	Eldred	Patterson
Blair	W. B. Foster	Shannon
Bonner	Good	J. R. C. Smith
Boyer	Ihrle	P. Stephens
Brown, Lan.	Kennedy	J. Stevens
Burden	Krepps	Walker
Cope	Lauman	Wilson
Cummin	M'Reynolds	Wolford
Cunningham	Madden	Woolverton
Denny	Mathewson	Ritner, Sp'r. 36

NAYS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. Gebhart	Mr. Meredith
Aughinbaugh	Harrison	G. Miller
Bell, Leb.	Hergesheimer	Nicholson
Bell, West.	James	Pearson
Binder	Kerr	Pennypacker
Bonsall	Knight	Petrikin
Boyd	Lawson	Ramsey
Buyers	Lehman	Rankin
Cooper	M'Bride	Ringland
Duncan	M'Clure	F. Smith
Ellis	M'Ewen	Thompson
Evans	M'Sherry	Whitlatch
Fackenthall	Mathews, Cam.	Wise
Farrell	Matheys, Mont.	Wolferaberger
W. Forster		

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So the question was determined in the negative.

Adjourned until half past 7 o'clock this evening.

IN THE EVENING.

Agreably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Kennedy in the chair, on the bill No. 471, entitled "A supplement to the act, entitled An act for the purpose of adjusting the titles to lands in Bedford and Ulster townships, in Luzerne and Lycoming counties, passed the 19th day of March, 1810."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill without amendment.

The bill No. 389 entitled "A further supplement to an act, entitled An act to authorise the Governor to incorporate a company to make a lock navigation on the river Schuylkill," was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered to be transcribed for the third reading.

The bill No. 154, entitled "An act to authorise the Governor to convey in fee to the master and wardens of Perseverance lodge No. 21, and to their successors in office, part of a lot of ground in the borough of Harrisburg, for the purpose of erecting thereon a masonic hall," was read the second time.

And the first section being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Burden, to postpone the same, together with the bill, for the present.

The motion being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Beatty, to amend the same by striking therefrom "for the present," and inserting in lieu thereof "until Thursday next."

Which was agreed to.

And the motion as amended was agreed to.

Adjourned until 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

WEDNESDAY, April 4, 1827.

The Speaker laid before the House a letter from the Auditor General, (No. 281,) accompanied with a statement, (No. 282) of the contingent expenses of his office.

The Speaker laid before the House a letter from the Auditor General, (No. 283,) accompanied with a report, (No. 284,) relative to the appointment of managers, on the part of the commonwealth, of turnpike road and bridge companies in which the state holds stock.

And the said letters, statement and report were

Laid on the table.

Mr. Petrikin presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Beccaria township, Clearfield county, praying that the place of holding their general elections may be changed to the house of John B. Smith.

Mr. Buyers presented two petitions from sundry inhabitants of Lancaster county, praying for certain alterations in the laws relative to the mode of charging interest on unpatented lands.

And the said petitions were

Laid on the table.

Mr. Gebhart presented a petition from sundry stockholders in the Greensburg and Stoystown turnpike road, praying for alterations in their act of incorporation, so far as relates to voting for managers by proxy.

Mr. Farrell presented a petition of like import with the foregoing.

And the said petitions were referred to the committee appointed on the subject.

Mr. Wise presented a petition from sundry citizens of this commonwealth, praying that lotteries may be authorised for the purpose of raising money to pay the debts of turnpike companies.

Which was read, and

Laid on the table.

A motion was made by Mr. M'Sherry, that the petition presented on the 30th ult. relative to the pay of members whilst absent from the House, be referred to the committee of accounts.

The motion being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Rahn, to postpone the further consideration of the same for the present.

Which was agreed to.

A motion was made by Mr. Pearson, that when this House adjourns this afternoon, it will adjourn to meet at half past 7 o'clock this evening, for the purpose of considering the bills entitled as follow, viz.

No. 434, "An act to annul the trust of certain public landings and wharves in the Northern Liberties, Philadelphia county, vested in the commissioners of the incorporated district of the Northern Liberties, and for other purposes."

No. 524, "An act appointing commissioners to view and lay out a state road from Landisburg to Carlisle, by way of Wagoner's Gap, and to authorise the said commissioners to open and improve the same."

No. 543, "A supplement to an act, entitled "An act authorising the appointment of commissioners for the purpose of taking testi-

mony relative to the original plan of the town of Armagh, and recording the same."

No. 503, "A supplement to an act, entitled An act to try the validity of the charter of the Harrisburg canal, fire insurance and water company, passed 5th April, 1826."

No. 92, "An act for the relief of James Lowry, assignee of David Thurston."

No. 427, "An act to improve the state road leading from the borough of Muncy, in Lycoming county, to Meansville, in Bradford county."

No. 412, "An act entitled An act for the improvement of the road leading from Muncy township, in the county of Lycoming, by Lewis' glass works, to the Berwick and Newtown turnpike road at Ellis' tavern in Cherry township."

No. 294, "A further supplement to an act, entitled An act authorising the Governor to incorporate four companies for making an artificial road from the town of Washington, in this state, to intersect the Harrisburg and Pittsburg turnpike road, at or near the town of Bedford."

The motion being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Petrikin, to postpone the further consideration of the same until to-morrow.

Which was agreed to.

A motion was made by Mr. Rahn, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That the Speaker draw his warrant on the State Treasurer in favor of Cameron and Krause, printers of the bills of this House, for three hundred dollars, to be accounted for in the settlement of their account. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

A motion was made by Mr. Harrison, and read as follows, viz.

Whereas, It is apparent that the public debt of the United States is in a rapid state of reduction, and should the present system of revenue be continued, and nothing transpire to change the existing state of peace, a greater portion of the national debt will be liquidated in a few years from this time.

And whereas, It is believed that it would comport with wisdom and sound policy, were the general government to adopt measures for a proper disposition of the accumulating surplus revenue, and there are no objects to which it could be so beneficially applied, as in the promotion of internal improvement and education, under the control and direction of the several states, and that a portion of the funds set apart for the redemption of the public debt might be immediately applied to those objects without inconvenience to the financial operations of the government, and without injustice to the public creditors.

Therefore,

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, That the surplus revenue of the United States, in time of peace, ought

to be distributed among the several states in the same proportion provided by the constitution of the United States for direct taxation, to be applied, under the direction of the several states, to internal improvement and education.

Resolved, That the Governor be requested to transmit to the President of the Senate and Speaker of the House of Representatives immediately after the commencement of the next session of the Congress of the United States, a copy of the foregoing preamble and resolution, with a request that the same be presented to their respective bodies.

Laid on the table.

A motion was made by Mr. Brown of Allegheny, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly met, That the Auditor General be, and he is hereby authorised and requested to draw his warrant on the State Treasurer in favor of David Riley, Joseph M'Masters and John Thompson, late deputy marshalls, or their legal representatives, for the sums to which they were severally entitled on the settlement of their accounts.

Laid on the table.

Pursuant to notice given on yesterday, Mr. Ellis asked leave to bring in a bill, entitled "An act to repeal, in part, an act entitled An act relative to the state penitentiary in the county of Allegheny, passed 10th April, 1826."

Which was granted. And

Ordered, That Messrs. Ellis, Denny and Binder, be a committee to prepare and bring in a bill accordingly.

On motion of Mr. Krepps,

Ordered, That the bill No. 542, entitled "An act to authorise an examination of the river Monongahela, from the city of Pittsburgh to the dividing line between Virginia and Pennsylvania, with a view to ascertain the practicability of improving it by a slack water navigation, or constructing a canal along its banks," be the first order for Friday afternoon next.

Mr. F. Smith obtained leave of absence from Monday next, for the remainder of the session.

Mr. Hergesheimer obtained leave of absence from Thursday the 12th inst. for the remainder of the session.

Mr. Boyd obtained leave of absence from Saturday next, for the remainder of the session.

The bill from the Senate, No. 482, entitled "A supplement to the act, entitled An act authorising the Governor to incorporate the Conestogo navigation company," was read the third time and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk return the said bill to the Senate.

The bill No. 389, entitled "A further supplement to an act, entitled An act to authorise the Governor to incorporate a company to make a lock navigation on the river Schuylkill," was read the third time and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. Dorrance, from the committee to whom was, on yesterday, committed the resolution,

No. 506, relative to the erection of water power at Harrisburg, reported the same with amendments.

Which was read, and

Laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. F. Smith, the resolution read on the 15th February last, relative to suspending the act directing suits to be brought for money due the commonwealth on unpatented lands, was read the second time, being modified by striking therefrom 'three years,' and inserting in lieu thereof, 'one year.'

When a motion was made by Mr. Ellis, to postpone the resolution indefinitely.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the indefinite postponement?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Good and Mr. Aughinbaugh, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Irwin	Mr. Petrikin
Beatty	Kerr	Ramsey
Binder	Knight	Rankin
Blair	Krepps	Ringland
Bonsall	M'Clure	Scudder
Boyd	M'Creery	Shannon
Cope	M'Ewen	Snyder
Duncan	M'Reynolds	P. Stephens
Ellis	Matheys, Mont.	Thomas
Evans	Mathewson	Whitlatch
Fackenthall	Meredith	Wilson
Harrison	Nicholson	Wise
Hergesheimer	Pearson	Ritner, Sp'r. 39

NAYS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. Denny	Mr. Lauman
Aughinbaugh	Dillinger	Lawson
Becker	Dorrance	Lehman
G. Bell	Dunlap	M'Bride
Bell, Leb.	Eldred	M'Sherry
Bell, West.	Farrell	Madden
Bonner	W. Forster	Mathews, Cam.
Boyer	W. B. Foster	Matts
Brown, Allegh.	Gebhart	G. Miller
Brown, Lan.	Good	H. Miller
Burden	Haines	J. Miller
Buyers	Hottenstein	R. Miller
Cooper	Ihrig	Overholzer
Cummin	James	Patterson
Cunningham	Kennedy	Pennypacker

NAFS.

Mr. Rahn

F. Smith

J. R. C. Smith

J. Stevens

Mr. Thompson

Tutwiler

Walker

Mr. Wolfersberger

Wolford

Woolverton

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So the question was determined in the negative.

And the resolution recurring,

A motion was made by Mr. Harrison, to postpone the further consideration of the same for the present.

Which was agreed to.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, presented for concurrence the bills and resolution entitled as follow, viz.

No 554, "An act to incorporate the Pennsylvania and Ohio canal company."

No 555, "An act authorising the Governor to incorporate the Shamokin canal company."

Which bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

No. 556, "An act concerning agencies of insurance companies, not authorised by the laws of this state, established within this commonwealth."

Which bill was read, and made the first order of the day for Monday next.

No. 557, "Resolution relative to the printing of the laws relating to the circuit courts."

Which was read, and

Laid on the table.

He returned the bills entitled as follow, viz.

No. 70, "An act authorising the commissioners of Lancaster county, to sue in the name and style of the commissioners of Lancaster county, and prescribing that no person subject to county rates and levies shall be disqualified, for that reason, from being judge, juror or witness in such suit."

No. 302, "An act to change the time of meeting of the auditors of Luzerne and Northampton counties."

No. 347, "An act to increase the number of managers in the Huntingdon, Cambria and Indiana turnpike road company, and to reduce the number of managers in the Harrisburg and Middletown turnpike road company, and for other purposes."

And informed,

That the Senate have passed said bills, the two first without and the latter with one amendment, in which the concurrence of the House of Representatives is requested.

The amendment by the Senate to the bill No. 347, was read.

And being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Ellis, to amend the same by adding thereto the following words, viz.

"And that from and after the passage of this act, the number of managers of the Harrisburg and Millerstown turnpike road company shall be five; three of whom shall be annually elected

by the stockholders on the first Monday of _____, and two appointed by the Auditor General at the same period, annually, none of which managers appointed shall hold their offices more than two years in any term of three years; and that the said managers so elected and appointed shall, at their first meeting in April in each year, appoint one of their members president, as also some fit person as treasurer and secretary, whose salary shall not exceed fifty dollars for both of said offices; and that so much of any law as is hereby altered or supplied, be and the same is hereby repealed."

And on the question,

Will the House agree so to amend the amendment?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Ellis and Mr. Farrell; and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Blair
Cummin

Mr. Denny
Ellis

Mr. Woolverton

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NAYS.

Mr. Agnew
Atkinson
Aughinbaugh
Beatty
Becker
Bell, Leb.
Bell, West.
Binder
Bonner
Boyer
Brown, Allegh.
Cooper
Cope
Dillinger
Dorrance
Duncan
Dunlap
Eldred
Evans
Fackenthall
Farrell
W. Forster
W. B. Foster

Mr. Gebhart
Good
Harrison
Hergesheimer
Hottenstein
Kennedy
Kerr
Knight
Krepps
Lauman
Lawson
M'Bride
M'Ewen
M'Reynolds
Madden
Mathews, Cam.
Matheys, Mont.
Mathewson
Matts
Meredith
H. Miller
J. Miller
R. Miller

Mr. Nicholson
Pearson
Pennypacker
Ramsey
Rankin
Ringland
Scudder
Shannon
F. Smith
J. R. C. Smith
Snyder
J. Stevens
Thomas
Thompson
Tutwiler
Walker
Whitlatch
Wilson
Wise
Wolfersberger
Wolford
Ritner, Sp'r.

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So the question was determined in the negative.

And the amendment by the Senate to the said bill was concurred in. And

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate of the same.

The Clerk of the Senate also informed,

That the Senate have concurred in the amendments by the House of Representatives to the bill No. 131, entitled "An act to lay out a state road from New Geneva, in Fayette county, through

Greensburg, in Greene county, to the Virginia line, in the direction of the mouth of Fishing creek."

On motion of Mr. Denny,

The resolution read on the 5th February last, relative to proceeding to the consideration of bills at 11 o'clock, was read the second time.

And being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Denny, to amend the same by striking therefrom 'eleven,' and inserting in lieu thereof 'ten.'

Which was agreed to.

And the resolution as amended was adopted.

Adjourned until 3 o'clock this afternoon.

SAME DAY.

The House resumed the second reading of the bill No. 259, entitled "An act to incorporate the Philadelphia rail way dock company."

And the 13th section recurring,

A motion was made Mr. J. R. C. Smith, to amend the same by striking therefrom these words, "per diem shall not exceed the rates customarily paid in the harbor of New York for like service and advantage," and inserting in lieu thereof these words, "shall not exceed twenty-five cents per ton register of the vessel."

Which was agreed to.

And the section as amended was agreed to.

The remaining sections were severally considered and agreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. J. R. C. Smith, that the bill be re-committed to a committee of the whole House, for the purpose of amending the 12th section, by inserting in the 8th line, after 'considered,' these words, 'and to be free of assessment.'

Which was agreed to.

Whereupon,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Cunningham in the chair, on the said bill.

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill as committed.

The title was then considered and agreed to. And

Ordered, That the bill be transcribed for the third reading.

On motion of Mr. Boyd,

The House resumed the consideration of the bill No. 45, entitled "An act to incorporate the stockholders of the Philadelphia Arcade."

And the question recurring on the amendment to the 4th section,

It was determined in the negative.

And the 4th section was agreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. J. R. C. Smith, to amend the bill by adding thereto the following new section, viz.

Section 5. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That the stockholders of the Philadelphia Arcade shall be jointly and severally liable for all debts contracted and due by said company, and it shall be the duty of any sheriff or constable, to whom any execution may be directed, issued upon any judgment obtained against said stockholders of the Philadelphia Arcade, to seize upon the joint property of the said stockholders, sufficient to satisfy the debt, interest and cost of such execution, if such property can be found, and to sell and dispose of the same according to the laws of this commonwealth; but if no such property can be found, then and in that case the said sheriff or constable shall seize upon the property of all or any of the said stockholders, sufficient to satisfy the debt, interest and cost of such execution.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the new section?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Wise and Mr. Farrell, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. Dorrance	Mr. Matheys, Mont.
Becker	Evans	Rahn
Bell, Leb.	Fackenthal	Rankin
Bell, West.	Farrell	Ringland
Binder	Hottenstein	J. R. C. Smith
Bonner	Kerr	J. Stevens
Boyer	Lawson	Walker
Brown, Allegh.	M'Creery	Wilson
Cooper	M'Ewen	Wise
Cope	M'Sherry	Wolfsberger
Dillinger		51

NAYS.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Dunlap	Mr. Knight
Aughinbaugh	Eldred	Lehman
Beatty	Ellis	M'Clure
G. Bell	W. Forster	M'Reynolds
Blair	W. B. Foster	Madden
Bonsall	Gebhart	Mathews, Caro.
Boyd	Good	Matts
Burden	Harrison	Meredith
Cummin	Hergesheimer	H. Miller
Cunningham	Ihrig	J. Miller
Denny	James	R. Miller
Duncan	Kennedy	Nicholson

NAIS.

Mr. Patterson	Mr. Scudder	Mr. Tutwiler
Pearson	Shannon	Whitlatch
Pennypacker	F. Smith	Wolford
Petrikín	Snyder	Woolverton
Ramsey	Thompson	Ritner, Sp'r. 51

So the question was determined in the negative.

The title was considered and agreed to. And
Ordered, That the bill be transcribed for the third reading.

The bill No. 328, entitled "An act for the relief of William Arnold, late a supervisor of Luzerne township, in the county of Fayette," was read the second time.

And the section was considered and agreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Krepps, to amend the bill by adding thereto the following new section, viz.

Section 2. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid*, That Philip Trapp be and he is hereby appointed a commissioner in the place of Andrew Trapp, deceased, to do and perform all the duties enjoined by the third section of an act passed the 30th day of March, 1824, entitled "A supplement to an act, entitled An act making appropriation for certain internal improvements, and for other purposes."

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the new section?

It was determined in the affirmative.

The title was considered and agreed to, being amended by adding thereto "and for other purposes." And

Ordered, That the bill be transcribed for the third reading.

The bill No. 145, entitled "An act authorising a review of the state road from the town of Butler, in Butler county, to the town of Franklin, in Venango county," was read the second time.

And the sections to the 9th, inclusive, were severally considered and agreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Scudder, to amend the bill by inserting the following new section, viz.

Section 10. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid*, That Robert H. Hammond, Anthony Armstrong and Abraham Stroub, of Northumberland county, Dan Caldwell, of Union county, and Robert M'Curdy, of Berwick, in Columbia county, be and they are hereby appointed commissioners to lay out, by courses and distances, a state road from Watsonstown, in the county of Northumberland, the nearest and best route to Berwick, in the county of Columbia.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the new section?

It was determined in the negative.

The remaining sections of the bill were severally considered and agreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Wise that the bill be re-committed to a committee of the whole House, for the purpose of amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Whereupon,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Snyder in the chair, on the said bill.

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with amendments.

The bill being again before the House, the title was considered and agreed to, being amended so as to read as follows, viz.

"An act authorising the reviewing and laying out certain state roads, and for other purposes." And

Ordered, That the bill be transcribed for the third reading.

Adjourned until 9 o'clock to morrow morning.

THURSDAY, April 5, 1827.

Mr. Overholzer presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Lancaster county, praying that a state road may be laid out from the widow Plesterer's, in Lancaster county, to Shaferstown, in Lebanon county.

Mr. Buyers presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Lancaster county, praying for certain alterations in the laws relative to the mode of charging interest on unpatented lands.

And the said petitions were

Laid on the table.

A motion was made by Mr. Boyer, that when this House adjourns this afternoon, it will adjourn to meet at half past 7 o'clock this evening, for the purpose of considering the bill No. 522, entitled "An act regulating election districts;" and the bill from the Senate, No. 535, entitled "An act to authorise the trustees of a public school in Douglass township, Berks county, to sell certain real estate."

The motion being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Ringland, to amend the same by striking therefrom 'this afternoon,' and inserting in lieu thereof 'to-morrow afternoon'; and by striking therefrom 'this evening,' and inserting in lieu thereof 'to-morrow evening'; and by ad-

ding to the motion "and bill No. 338, entitled 'An act regulating tavern licenses.'"

And on the question,

Will the House agree so to amend?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Petrikin and Mr. Rahn, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Hergesheimer	Mr. Matts
Beatty	Ihrle	Meredith
Binder	James	Patterson
Blair	Kennedy	Pearson
Bonsall	Knight	Ramsey
Boyd	Krepps	Ringland
Brown, Allegh.	Lauman	Scudder
Burden	M'Bride	J. R. C. Smith
Cummin	M'Creery	Snyder
Duncan	M'Reynolds	P. Stephens
Eldred	Mathews, Cam.	J. Stevens
Haines	Matheys, Mont.	Woolverton
Harrison	Mathewson	

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NAYS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. Fackenthall	Mr. Nicholson
Aughinbaugh	Farrell	Overholzer
Becker	W. Forster	Pennypacker
G. Bell	W. B. Foster	Petrikin
Belk, Leb.	Gebhart	Rahn
Bell, West.	Good	Rankin
Bonner	Hottenstein	Shannon
Boyer	Kerr	Thomas
Brown, Lan.	Lawson	Thompson
Buyers	Lehman	Tutwiler
Cooper	M'Clure	Walker
Cope	M'Ewen	Whitlatch
Cunningham	M'Sherry	Wilson
Denny	Madden	Wise
Dillinger	G. Miller	Woltersberger
Dorrance	H. Miller	Wolford
Dunlap	J. Miller	Ritner, Sp'r.
Evans	R. Miller	

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So the question was determined in the negative.

And the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the motion?

A division of the question was called for by Mr. Krepps, to end with meeting this evening.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to meet at half past 7 o'clock this evening?

A motion was made by Harrison to postpone the question until to-morrow.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

The previous question was called for by Messrs. Wise, Denny, Walker, Farrell, Petrikin, Rahn, Evans, Boyer, Agnew, Buyers, Cope and Fackenthall.

And on the question,

Shall the main question, viz. Will the House agree to meet at half past 7 o'clock this evening, be now put?

It was determined in the affirmative.

And on the main question, viz.

Will the House agree to meet at half past 7 o'clock this evening?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Burden and Mr. Pearson, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. Farrell	Mr. R. Miller
Atkinson	W. Forster	Overholzer
Becker	W. B. Foster	Patterson
G. Bell	Gebhart	Pennypacker
Bell, West.	Good	Petrikina
Bonner	Hottenstein	Rahn
Boyer	Ihrle	Rankin
Brown, Ian.	Lawson	Shannon
Buyers	M'Clure	J. R. C. Smith
Cooper	M'Creery	Thomas
Cope	M'Ewen	Tutwiler
Cunningham	M'Sherry	Walker
Denny	Madden	Whitlatch
Dillinger	Mathews, Cam.	Wilson
Dorrance	Mathewson	Wise
Dunlap	G. Miller,	Woltersberger
Ellis	H. Miller	Wollord
Evans	J. Miller	Ritner, Sp'r.
Fackenthall		

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NAYS.

Mr. Aughinbaugh	Mr. Hergesheimer	Mr. Meredith
Beatty	James	Nicholson
Binder	Kennedy	Pearson
Blair	Kerr	Ramsey
Bonsall	Knight	Ringland
Boyd	Krepps	Scudder
Brown, Allegh.	Lauman	Snyder
Burden	Lehman	P. Stephens
Cummin	M'Bride	J. Stevens
Duncan	M'Reynolds	Thompson
Eldred	Matheys, Mont.	Woolverton
Harrison	Matts	

So the question was determined in the affirmative.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the second part of the motion?

It was determined in the affirmative.

Mr. Dillinger, from the committee appointed to compare bills and present them to the Governor for his approbation, made report, which was read as follows, viz.

That in conjunction with a similar committee from the Senate, they have compared and on yesterday presented to the Governor for his approbation, the bills entitled as follow, to wit:

An act to provide for the further extension of the Pennsylvania canal.

A supplement to the act, entitled An act authorising the Governor to incorporate the Susquehanna and Lehigh canal company.

An act supplementary to an act, for building a bridge over the river Schuylkill, opposite Norristown, in the county of Montgomery.

An act relative to the eastern and western penitentiaries.

An act to lay out a state road from New Geneva, in Fayette county, through Greensburg, in Greene county, to the Virginia line, in the direction of the mouth of Fishing creek.

A supplement to the act, entitled An act authorising the Governor to incorporate the Conestogo navigation company.

Laid on the table.

Mr. Rahn, from the committee of accounts, made a report, (No. 285,) relative to the accounts of witnesses who attended before the committee appointed to investigate the conduct of judge Franks, accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That the Speaker draw his warrants on the State Treasurer, in favor of the above named persons, for the sums set opposite to their names respectively. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

Mr. Ellis, from the committee appointed for the purpose on yesterday, reported a bill,

No. 558, entitled "An act in part to repeal an act, entitled An act relative to the state penitentiary in the county of Allegheny."

Which bill was read, and made the order of the day for tomorrow.

The bills entitled as follow were severally read the third time and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence, viz.

No. 145, "An act authorising the reviewing and laying out certain state roads, and for other purposes."

No. 259, "An act to incorporate the Philadelphia rail way dock company."

No. 328, "An act for the relief of William Arnold, late a supervisor of Luzerne township, in the county of Fayette, and for other purposes."

The bill No. 45, entitled "An act to incorporate the stockholders of the Philadelphia Arcade," was read the third time.

And on the question,

Shall the same pass?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Kerr and Mr. Nicholson, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Hergesheimer	Mr. Patterson
Beatty	Ihrle	Pearson
G. Bell	Kennedy	Pennypacker
Blair	Knight	Petrikín
Bonsall	Krepps	Rahn
Boyd	Lauman	Ramsey
Brown, Lan.	Lehman	F. Smith
Burden	M'Ewen	J. R. C. Smith
Cunningham	M'Reynolds	Snyder
Denny	Madden	P. Stephens
Duncan	Mathews, Cam.	J. Stevens
Eldred	Mathewson	Thompson
Ellis	Meredith	Tutwiler
Farrell	H. Miller	Walker
W. B. Foster	J. Miller	Wilson
Good	R. Miller	Woolverton
Harrison	Overholzer	Ritner, Sp'r. 51

NAYS.

Mr. Aughinbaugh	Mr. Derrance	Mr. M'Sherry
Becker	Dunlap	Matheys, Mont.
Bell, West.	Evans	Matts
Binder	Fackenthall	G. Miller
Bonner	W. Forster	Nicholson
Boyer	Gebhart	Rankin
Brown, Allegh.	Hottenstein	Ringland
Cooper	James	Wise
Cope	Kerr	Wolfsberger
Cummin	M'Bride	Wolford
Dillinger	M'Creery	

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So the question was determined in the affirmative. And

Ordered, That the Clerk present the said bill to the Senate for concurrence.

On leave given,

The resolution attached to the report of the committee to whom the depositions, interrogatories and cross-examinations, taken on a complaint against Joseph Lester, a justice of the peace of Northampton county, was, on motion of Mr. Ihrle, read the second time, considered and adopted. And

Ordered, That the committee which made the report, be a committee for the purpose expressed in the said resolution.

The bill No. 93, entitled "An act establishing a lottery, to be styled the Pennsylvania state lottery," was read the second time.

And the first and second sections were severally considered and agreed to.

The third section being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Eldred, to amend the same by striking from the 6th, 7th and 8th lines, these words, "to be apportioned according to the amount of the subscription by the state to the said companies respectively, to be applied by the said companies," and by striking from the section the following proviso, viz. "*Provided*, That before the payment of any such sum or sums of money to any such company, a certificate of the amount of stock held by the state in such company, and the amount of debts owing by the same, and the length of the road, signed by the president and attested by the secretary of such company, shall be delivered to the treasurer of the board of the internal improvement fund."

And on the question,

Will the House agree so to amend?

It was determined in the affirmative.

And the section as amended was agreed to.

The fourth section being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Eldred, to amend the same by striking therefrom the following words, viz. "that it shall be the duty of the treasurers of the several turnpike companies to pay over the amount so by them received respectively, in virtue of this act, to the several creditors of said companies in proportion to the claims by them held against said companies: *Provided*, That before the payment of any such sum, the respective board of managers of said companies shall examine, approve and apportion the several claims due by said companies, and shall make out and deliver to the said treasurers a list of the debts due by said companies, containing the names of the creditors, the amount of their respective claims, and the amount they would be entitled to receive, which said list shall be attested by the president and shall be good and sufficient authority to the treasurer to pay: *Provided further*, That on the receipt of any monies from the said managers in virtue of this act, it shall be the duty of the president of said turnpike companies to give at least twenty days public notice in one newspaper published in the county or counties in which the road lies, to the creditors of the several turnpike companies to present their several claims against said companies to the board of managers, at a time and place therein mentioned, to be adjusted and settled by said board, and in case of refusal or neglect of such creditor or creditors by themselves, their agents or attorneys, to present their claims, he, she or they shall not be entitled to receive any portion of the sum then to be distributed," and inserting in lieu thereof the following words, viz. "that it shall be the duty

of the treasurer of the internal improvement fund to pay over the amount by him received in virtue of this act, to the several creditors of the said turnpike companies, in proportion to the distance of road made by each turnpike company, to be ascertained as is hereinafter mentioned, and to each creditor in proportion to the amount of his claim."

And on the question,

Will the House agree so to amend?

It was determined in the affirmative.

And the section as amended was agreed to.

The fifth section being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Eldred, to amend the same by striking therefrom these words, viz. "That it shall be the duty of the president of the several turnpike road companies in which the state holds stock, on or before the first Monday in December in each and every year, to return on oath or affirmation to the Auditor General a statement of the receipts and expenditures of said companies, together with a list of the debts remaining due and unpaid by said companies, and a statement of the amount appropriated from the proceeds of said lottery, with the names of the persons receiving any portion of the same, and the amount due at the time such portion was received," and inserting in lieu thereof the following words, viz. "That it shall be the duty of the presidents of the several turnpike companies in which the state holds stock, to certify to the treasurer of the internal improvement fund the length of the road by them made and completed, under oath or affirmation, on or before the first day of November next."

And on the question,

Will the House agree so to amend?

It was determined in the affirmative.

And the section as amended was agreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Eldred, to amend the bill by adding thereto the following new section, viz.

Section 6. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That the Governor is hereby authorised to appoint three reputable and disinterested citizens for each company, whose duty it shall be to settle and adjust the claims of each turnpike company in which the state holds stock, and certify to the treasurer of the internal improvement fund, on or before the first day of November next, the amount due by such company, and the names of the person or persons to whom they are indebted; which certificate shall be sufficient authority for the said treasurer to pay over the monies to such person as may be entitled to receive the same, according to the provisions of this act; and in case either of the persons appointed should neglect or refuse to serve, the Governor is authorised to appoint others to fill the vacancy; and the per-

sons thus appointed shall receive the sum of two dollars per day, for each day necessarily spent in adjusting such claims, to be paid by the treasurer of the internal improvement fund: *Provided*, That it shall be their duty to give at least twenty days public notice in one newspaper published in the county or counties in which the road lies, to the creditors of the several turnpike companies to present their claims against said companies, at a time and place therein mentioned, to be adjusted and settled by them; and in case of refusal or neglect of such creditor to present their claims, either by themselves, their agents or attorneys, he, she or they shall not be entitled to receive any portion of the sum to be distributed under this act: *And provided further*, That they shall take and subscribe an oath or affirmation, that they will faithfully discharge the duties enjoined on them by this act.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the new section?

It was determined in the affirmative.

The title being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Harrison, to amend the same by striking therefrom these words, 'establishing a lottery to be styled the Pennsylvania state lottery,' and inserting in lieu thereof these words, 'authorising a lottery for the payment of the debts due by turnpike companies in which the state holds stock.'

The amendment to the title being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Mathewson, to postpone the same, together with the title, for the purpose of amending the bill by adding thereto the following new section, viz.

Section 7. *Whereas*, by the tenth section of an act, entitled "An act making appropriations for certain internal improvements, passed the twenty-fourth day of March, 1817," the Governor was authorised and required to subscribe three hundred shares of stock of the Cayuga and Susquehanna turnpike road company, incorporated by the state of New York, by which section it was provided that on completion of the said road, and the payment by this state of the last instalment of the said subscription, according to the provision of the said section, a regular dividend of six per cent. should, by bond executed by the president and directors of the said company, be secured to be paid annually to the treasurer of this state: *And whereas*, no such dividend has been paid since the said road was completed, but the whole of such dividends remain due.

Therefore,

Be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the Governor is hereby authorised and required to subscribe for so many additional shares of stock of the Cayuga and Susquehanna turnpike road company, as the dividends due from said company to this state shall amount unto, at the time of subscribing the same; and that the said turnpike road company shall be and is hereby

embraced in the foregoing provisions of this act, so far as it respects the dividends due as aforesaid to this state.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the new section?

It was determined in the negative.

And the amendment to the title recurring, it was agreed to.

And the title as amended was agreed to.

And on the question,

Shall the bill be transcribed for the third reading?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Fackenthall and Mr. Wise, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. Dorrance	Mr. J. Miller
Atkinson	Dunlap	R. Miller
Aughinbaugh	Eldred	Overholzer
Becker	Evans	F. Smith
G. Bell	Farrell	Snyder
Bell, West.	W. B. Foster	P. Stephens
Blair	Gebhart	J. Stevens
Bonner	Good	Thomas
Boyer	Hottenstein	Tutwiler
Brown, Lan.	Ihrle	Walker
Buyers	James	Wilson
Cooper	Kennedy	Wise
Cope	Mathews, Cam.	Woltersberger
Cummin	Matheys, Mont.	Wolford
Dillinger	H. Miller	Ritner, Sp'r. 43

NAYS.

Mr. Binder	Mr. Krepps	Mr. Meredith
Boyd	Lauman	Nicholson
Brown, Allegh.	Lawson	Patterson
Cunningham	Lehman	Pearson
Denny	M'Bride	Pennypacker
Duncan	M'Clure	Petrikina
Ellis	M'Creery	Ramsey
Fackenthall	M'Ewen	Rankin
W. Forster	M'Reynolds	Scudder
Harrison	M'Sherry	Shannon
Hergesheimer	Madden	J. R. C. Smith
Kerr	Mathewson	Thompson
Knight	Matts	

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So the question was determined in the affirmative.

The bill No. 62, entitled "An act to annul the marriage contract of Jacob S. Davis and Sarah Ann his wife," was read the second time.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the section?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Eldred and Mr. Matheys of Cambria, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Beatty	Mr. Eldred	Mr. Rahn
Becker	Packenthall	Scudder
G. Bell	Gebhart	Shannon
Bell, West.	Hottenstein	J. R. C. Smith
Bonsall	Ihrie	Snyder
Boyer	Kennedy	P. Stephens
Brown, Lan.	Kerr	J. Stevens
Burden	Knight	Thomas
Buyers	Krepps	Tutwiler
Cooper	M'Clure	Walker
Cummin	M'Reynolds	Wolford
Dillinger	J. Miller	Woolverton
Dorrance	Overholzer	

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NAYS.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. W. B. Foster	Mr. H. Miller
Aughinbaugh	Good	R. Miller
Bell, Leb.	Harrison	Patterson
Binder	Hergesheimer	Pearson
Blair	Lauman	Pennypacker
Bonner	Lawson	Petrikín
Boyd	Lehman	Ramsey
Brown, Allegh.	M'Creery	Rankin
Cope	M'Ewen	Ringland
Cuningham	Madden	Thompson
Denny	Mathews, Cam.	Wilson
Dunlap	Matheys, Mont.	Wise
Ellis	Matts	Wolfsberger
Evans	Meredith	Ritner, Sp'r.
W. Forster	G. Miller	

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So the question was determined in the negative.

The bill No. 424, entitled "An act for the relief of Leonard Hanse and Henry Orwig, revolutionary soldiers," was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered to be transcribed for the third reading, the title being amended so as to read as follows, viz.

"An act for the relief of sundry soldiers and widows of soldiers of the revolutionary war."

Adjourned until 3 o'clock this afternoon.

SAME DAY.

On motion of Mr. Petrikín,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Patterson in the chair, on the bill No. 545, entitled "An act fixing the compensation of the state engineers and their assistants."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair and the chairman reported the bill with one amendment.

The bill No. 373, entitled "An act for the relief of Nathaniel Patterson, inspector of the 1st brigade, 15th division, Pennsylvania militia," was read the second time.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the first section?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. James and Mr. Tutwiler, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. W. Forster	Mr. H. Miller
Atkinson	W. B. Foster	J. Miller
Aughinbaugh	Good	Overholzer
Beatty	Harrison	Patterson
Becker	Hergesheimer	Pearson
G. Bell	Hottenstein	Petrikina
Bell, Leb.	Ihrig	Ramsey
Bell, West.	Kennedy	Rankin
Binder	Kerr	Scudder
Blair	Knight	Shannon
Bonsall	Krepps	F. Smith
Boyer	Lauman	Snyder
Brown, Allegh.	Lawson	J. Stevens
Brown, Lan.	Lehman	Thomas
Burden	M'Clure	Thompson
Buyers	M'Creery	Tutwiler
Cope	M'Ewen	Walker
Cummin	M'Reynolds	Whitlatch
Denny	M'Sherry	Wilson
Dillinger	Madden	Wise
Dorrance	Matheys, Mont.	Wolferberger
Duncan	Mathewson	Wolford
Eldred	Matts	Woolverton
Evans	Meredith	Ritner, Sp'r.
Fackenthall	G. Miller	

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NAYS.

Mr. Bonner	Mr. Farrell	Mr. R. Miller
Cooper	James	Pennypacker

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So the question was determined in the affirmative.

The second section, preamble and title, were severally considered and agreed to, the title being amended by adding thereto these words, 'and for the relief of Nathaniel W. Sample, jr. inspector of the 2d brigade, 4th division, Pennsylvania militia.' And

Ordered, That the bill be transcribed for the third reading.

The bill No. 526, entitled "An act incorporating the Pennsylvania and Ohio canal company," was read the second time.

When a motion was made by Mr. Beatty, to postpone the further consideration of the same for the present.

Which was agreed to.

The bill No. 198, entitled "A supplement to the act, entitled 'An act to alter and amend the fee bill,'" was read the second time.

And the first section being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Matts, to amend the same by striking from the 6th and 7th lines these words, 'aldermen and justices of the peace and.'

Which was disagreed to.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the section?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Brown of Allegheny and Mr. Fackenthall, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Hottenstein	Mr. Pennypacker
Bell, Leb	Knight	Scudder
Binder	Krepps	Shannon
Bonner	Lawson	F. Smith
Bonsall	M'Clure	J. R. C. Smith
Burden	M'Ewen	Snyder
Cummin	M'Reynolds	P. Stephens
Denny	M'Sherfy	Thomas
Duncan	Mathewson	Tutwiler
Eldred	Meredith	Walker
W. Forster	J. Miller	Wolfersberger
Harrison	R. Miller	Woolverton
Hergesheimer	Pearson	

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NAYS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. Farrell	Mr. G. Miller
Beatty	W. B. Foster	H. Miller
Becker	Good	Nicholson
G. Bell	Haines	Patterson
Bell, West	Ihrle	Petrikina
Blair	James	Ramsey
Boyer	Kennedy	Rankin
Brown, Allegh	Kerr	Ringland
Buyers	Lauman	Thompson
Cooper	M'Bride	Whitlatch
Cope	M'Creery	Wilson
Dillinger	Madden	Wise
Ellis	Matheys, Mont.	Wolford
Evans	Matts	Ritner, Sp'r.
Fackenthall		

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So the question was determined in the negative.

The bill No. 223, entitled "An act to lay out and improve a road on the east side of the Susquehanna river, from the borough

of Sunbury, through Georgetown, to Rodgers' ferry," was read the second time.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the first section?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Harrison and Mr. James, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. Eldred	Mr. H. Miller
Atkinson	Ellis	J. Miller
Aughinbaugh	Fackenthall	Overholzer
Beatty	W. B. Foster	Patterson
G. Bell	Good	Pearson
Bell, Leb.	Hottenstein	Petrikín
Bonner	Ihríe	Rankin
Bonsall	Kennedy	Scudder
Boyer	Krepps	F. Smith
Brown, Allegh.	Lauman	J. R. C. Smith
Brown, Lan.	Lawson	Snyder
Burden	Lehman	P. Stephens
Buyers	M'Bride	Thomas
Cooper	M'Clure	Walker
Cummin	M'Reynolds	Wolford
Denny	Madden	Woolverton
Dorrance	Matheys, Mont.	Ritner, Sp'r.
Duncan	Mathewson	

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NAYS.

Mr. Becker	Mr. Hergesheimer	Mr. Nicholson
Bell, West.	James	Pennypacker
Binder	Kerr	Ramsey
Blair	Knight	Ringland
Cope	M'Creery	Thompson
Dillinger	M'Ewen	Tutwiler
Evans	M'Sherry	Whitlatch
Farrell	Matts	Wilson
W. Forster	Meredith	Wise
Haines	G. Miller	Wolfsberger
Harrison	R. Miller	

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So the question was determined in the affirmative.

The remaining sections were severally considered and agreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Lehman, to amend the bill by adding thereto the following new section, viz.

Section 4. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid.* That so much of any law of this commonwealth, as relates to the expenditure of money for the improvement of the natural channel of the north branch of the Susquehanna, be and the same is hereby suspended for one year from the passage of this act.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the new section?

It was determined in the affirmative.

The title was considered and agreed to, being amended by adding thereto "and for other purposes." And

Ordered, That the bill be transcribed for the third reading.

The bill No. 227, entitled "An act granting a sum of money to aid in opening and improving a certain state road therein mentioned," was read the second time.

And the first and second sections were considered and agreed to.

The third section was considered.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the same?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Wise and Mr. James, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. Evans	Mr. Overholzer
Atkinson	W. Forster	Patterson
Beatty	Good	Petrikín
G. Bell	Hottenstein	Ringland
Bell, Leb.	Ihríe	Scudder
Bonsall	Kennedy	Shannon
Boyer	Krepps	F. Smith
Brown, Allegh.	Lauman	Snyder
Brown, Lan.	Lawson	J. Stevens
Buyers	Lehman	Thomas
Cooper	M'Bride	Tutwiler
Cope	M'Reynolds	Walker
Cummin	Madden	Wilson
Dorrance	Matheys, Mont.	Wolfersberger
Duncan	Mathewson	Woolverton
Eldred	H. Miller	Ritner, Sp'r.
Ellis	J. Miller	

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NAYS.

Mr. Aughinbaugh	Mr. Harrison	Mr. G. Miller
Becker	Hergesheimer	R. Miller
Bell, West.	James	Nicholson
Binder	Kerr	Pearson
Blair	Knight	Pennypacker
Bonner	M'Creery	Ramsey
Denny	M'Ewen	Rankin
Dillinger	M'Sherry	Thompson
Fackenthall	Mathews, Cam.	Whitlatch
Farrell	Matts	Wise
Gebhart	Meredith	Wolford
Haines		

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So the question was determined in the affirmative.

The remaining sections and title were severally considered and agreed to. And

Ordered, That the bill be transcribed for the third reading.

The bill No. 470, entitled "An act appropriating a sum of money to open a state road through part of Fayette county," was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered to be transcribed for the third reading.

The bill No. 354, entitled "An act directing the manner of appropriating the proceeds of real estate sold by sheriffs and coroners," was read the second time.

And the first and second sections were considered and agreed to.

The third section being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Wise, to amend the same by inserting after 'interested,' in the fourth line, these words, 'who do not appear in court in person or by attorney.'

Which was disagreed to.

And the section was agreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Denny to re-consider the second section.

Which was agreed to.

And the section being again under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Denny, to amend the same by inserting the following words after 'courts,' in the second line, viz. 'to cause notice to be given to the several persons interested, or their attorneys, of the intended appropriation, and at the next ensuing term of the court.'

And on the question,

Will the House agree so to amend?

A motion was made by Mr. Eldred to postpone the question, together with the bill, until to-morrow.

Which was agreed to.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, returned the bill No. 182, entitled "An act to authorise the Governor to incorporate a company for making an artificial road from the borough of Wilkesbarre, in the county of Luzerne, by the way of Solomon's Gap and Mauch Chunk, to the borough of Northampton, in the county of Lehigh."

And informed that the Senate have passed said bill without amendment.

And further informed,

That the Senate have concurred in the amendment by the House of Representatives, to the resolution relative to the final adjournment of the legislature.

Adjourned until half past 7 o'clock this evening.

IN THE EVENING.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. P. Stephens in the chair, on the bill No. 522, entitled "An act regulating election districts."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with amendments.

On motion,

The said bill was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered to be transcribed for the third reading.

On motion of Mr. Wise,

The rule which prohibits the reading of bills twice on the same day, being in this case dispensed with, the said bill was read the third time and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Nicholson in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 585, entitled "An act to authorise the trustees of a public school in Douglass township, Berks county, to sell certain real estate."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with one amendment.

On motion of Mr. Thomas,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Becker in the chair, on the bill No. 58, entitled "An act granting compensation to Josiah Lewis, for certain lands ceded to Connecticut claimants in the seventeen townships in the county of Luzerne."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill negatived.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the report of the committee of the whole?

A motion was made by Mr. Thompson to postpone the question, together with the bill, indefinitely.

Which was disagreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Thomas to postpone the question, on agreeing to the report of the committee of the whole, until to-morrow.

Which was agreed to.

Adjourned until 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

FRIDAY, April 6, 1827.

Mr. Lehman presented a memorial of the heirs of John Nicholson, deceased, praying that provision may be made by law for the equitable settlement of the accounts of the said John Nicholson with the state.

Which was read, and, on motion of Mr. Lehman, recommended to the early attention of the next legislature,

On motion of Mr. F. Smith,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Tutwiler in the chair, on the resolution from the Senate, No. 557, relative to the printing of the laws relating to the circuit courts."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the resolution without amendment.

And on motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted. And

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate.

Mr. Barber obtained leave of absence for a few days.

Messrs. Kennedy, Tutwiler, Aughinbaugh and Hottenstein obtained leave of absence from Friday next, for the remainder of the session.

Messrs. Knight, J. Stevens and Bonsall obtained leave of absence from Thursday next, for the remainder of the session.

Mr. James obtained leave of absence from Saturday, the 14th inst. for the remainder of the session.

Mr. Gebbart obtained leave of absence from Wednesday next, for the remainder of the session.

Mr. Lehman, from the committee on inland navigation and internal improvement, reported a bill, No. 559, entitled "A supplement to the act incorporating the Roseburg and Mercer turnpike road company, passed the 10th day of April, 1826."

Which bill was read, and

Laid on the table.

Mr. Ibrrie, from the committee appointed for the purpose, reported an address to the Governor, (No. 286,) for the removal from office of Joseph Lester, a justice of the peace of Northampton county.

Which was read, and

On motion,

The same was read the second time, considered and adopted. And

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Petrikin,

The address to the Governor for the removal from office of Alexander C. Phelps, a justice of the peace of Susquehanna county, read on the 31st March, was read the second time, considered and adopted. And

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

The bill No. 93, entitled "An act authorising a lottery for the payment of debts due by turnpike companies in which the state holds stock," was read the third time.

And on the question,

Shall the same pass?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Thompson and Mr. Wise, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. Dunlap	Mr. J. Miller
Atkinson	Eldred	R. Miller
Aughinbaugh	Evans	Overholzer
Becker	Farrell	F. Smith
G. Bell	W. B. Foster	Snyder
Bell, Leb.	Gebhart	P. Stephens
Bell, West.	Good	J. Stevens
Blair	Hottenstein	Tutwiler
Bonner	Ihrle	Walker
Boyer	James	Wilson
Brown, Lan.	M. Reynolds	Wise
Buyers	Mathews, Cam.	Wolfersberger
Cooper	Matheys, Mont.	Wolford
Cope	Mathewson	Woolverton
Dorrance	H. Miller	Ritner, <i>Sp'r.</i> 45

NAYS.

Mr. Beatty	Mr. Harrison	Mr. Madden
Binder,	Hergesheimer	Matts
Boyd	Kerr	Meredith
Brown, Allegh.	Knight	G. Miller
Burden	Krepps	Nicholson
Cummin	Lauman	Patterson
Cunningham	Lawson	Pearson
Denny	Lehman	Pennypacker
Dillinger	M. Bride	Ramsey
Duncan	M. Clure	Rankin
Fackenthall	M. Creery	J. R. C. Smith
W. Forster	M. Ewen	Thompson
Haines		

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So the question was determined in the affirmative. And

Ordered, That the Clerk present the said bill to the Senate for concurrence.

The bill No. 223, entitled "An act to lay out and improve a road on the east side of the Susquenanna river, from the borough of Sunbury, through Georgetown, to Rodgers' ferry, and for other purposes," was read the third time.

When a motion was made by Mr. Scudder, that the bill be re-committed to a committee of the whole House, for the purpose of striking therefrom the following section, viz.

Sect. 4. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid*, That so much of any law of this commonwealth as relates to the expenditure of money, for the improvement of the natural channel of the north branch of the Susquehanna, be and the same is hereby suspended for one year from the passage of this act.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

It was determined in the negative.

A motion was then made by Mr. Kerr, that the bill be re-committed to a committee of the whole House, for the purpose of amending the same, so as that no part of the amount appropriated shall be expended until after the canal to the town of Northumberland shall have been located.

Which was agreed to.

Whereupon,

The House again resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Fackenthall in the chair, on the said bill.

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with one amendment.

And on the question,

Shall the bill pass.

It was determined in the affirmative. And

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

The bills entitled as follow were severally read the third time and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence, viz.

No. 227, "An act granting a sum of money to aid in opening and improving a certain state road therein mentioned."

No. 373, "An act for the relief of Nathaniel Patterson, inspector of the 1st brigade, 15th division, Pennsylvania militia; and for the relief of Nathaniel W. Sample, jr. inspector of the 2d brigade, 4th division, Pennsylvania militia."

No. 424, "An act for the relief of sundry soldiers and widows of soldiers of the revolutionary war."

No. 470, "An act appropriating a sum of money to open a state road through part of Fayette county."

On motion of Mr. Woolverton,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Cope in the chair, on the bill No. 493, entitled "A sup-

plement to an act, entitled An act for the relief of the poor, passed the 9th March, 1771."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with one amendment.

On motion of Mr. J. R. C. Smith,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Farrell in the chair on the bill No. 540, entitled "An act making appropriations to defray certain expenses of government."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with one amendment. And

On motion,

The said bill was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered to be transcribed for the third reading.

On motion of Mr. Denny,

The rule which prohibits the reading of bills twice on the same day, being in this case dispensed with, the said bill was read the third time and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Denny,

The House again resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Fackenthal in the chair, on the bill No. 118, entitled "An act relating to lotteries and lottery brokers."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with amendments. And

On motion,

The said bill was read the second time, and the 1st section being under consideration.

A motion was made by Mr. M'Creery, to amend the same by inserting after "Philadelphia," in the 6th line, these words, "or county of Washington."

Which was disagreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Petrikin, to amend the section by striking from the 15th line these words, "any act of Congress, or of this or any other state of the United States," and inserting in lieu thereof, "the laws of this commonwealth."

And on the question,

Will the House agree so to amend?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Bonner and Mr. Ihrie, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Becker
Blair
Bonner
Boyd

Mr. Brown, Allegh.
Cooper
Cope
Cummin

Mr. Denny
Dillinger
Dorrance
Ellis

YEAS

Mr. Evans
W. Forster
Gebhart
Kerr
Lawson
Lehman
M'Bride
M'Creery
Madden
Matheys, Mont.

Mr. Mathewson
Meredith
G. Miller
R. Miller
Nicholson
Overholzer
Patterson
Petrikin
Ramsey
Rankin

Mr. Ringland
Scudder
Shannon
Thomas
Thompson
Tutwiler
Whitlatch
Wilson
Ritner, *Sp'r.*

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NAYS.

Mr. Agnew
Atkinson
Aughinbaugh
Beatty
G. Bell
Bell, Leb.
Bell, West.
Binder
Bonsall
Boyer
Brown, Lan.
Burden
Buyers
Cunningham
Duncan

Mr. Fackenthall
Farrell
W. B. Foster
Good
Harrison
Hergesheimer
Hottenstein
Ihrle
James
Knight
Krepps
Lauman
M'Clure
M'Ewen
Matts

Mr. H. Miller
J. Miller
Pearson
Rahn
F. Smith
J. R. C. Smith
Snyder
P. Stephens
J. Stevens
Walker
Wise
Wolfersberger
Wolford
Woolverton

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So the question was determined in the negative.

A motion was then made by Mr. Duncan, to amend the section by striking from the 6th line, "six hundred," and inserting in lieu thereof, "five hundred."

Which was disagreed to.

And the section was agreed to.

The 2d section being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Ihrle, to amend the same by inserting after "Northampton," "Fayette, Lehigh and Montgomery."

Which was agreed to.

And the section as amended was agreed to.

The 3d section being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Brown of Allegheny, to amend the same by adding thereto, "nor less than five hundred dollars."

Which was disagreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Bonsall, to amend the section by striking therefrom "exceeding," and inserting in lieu thereof, "less than."

Which was disagreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Meredith, to amend the section by striking from the 6th line "the proper courts of the city or county," and inserting in lieu thereof, "the mayor's court of the city, or court of quarter sessions of the county."

Which was agreed to.

And the third section as amended was agreed to.

The fourth section was considered and agreed to.

The fifth section being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Bonner, to amend the same by striking therefrom the following words, viz. "undergo an imprisonment in the jail of the county, for a term not exceeding one year, nor for a less term than one calendar month."

Which was disagreed to.

And the section was agreed to.

The remaining sections were severally considered and agreed to.

The preamble was considered and disagreed to.

The title was considered and agreed to. And

Ordered, That the bill be transcribed for the third reading.

On motion of Mr. F. Smith,

The House resumed the consideration of the bill postponed on yesterday, No. 354, entitled "An act directing the manner of appropriating the proceeds of real estates sold by sheriffs and coroners."

And the question recurring on the amendment to the second section,

It was determined in the negative.

And the section was disagreed to.

And the bill was agreed to, the title being amended so as to read as follows, viz. "An act relative to the distribution of money arising from sheriff's and coroner's sales, and for other purposes." And

Ordered, That the bill be transcribed for the third reading.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, presented for concurrence the bills entitled as follow, viz.

No. 560, "An act to incorporate the female hospitable society."

No. 561, "An act authorising the executors of Robert Bleeker to sell and convey certain real estate."

Which bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

He returned the bills entitled as follow, viz.

No. 124, "An act to authorise Joseph M'Cune to erect swinging gates or racks across the south west branch of the Frankstown branch of the river Juniata."

No. 333, "A supplement to the act, entitled An act to authorise the Governor to incorporate two companies to make an artificial road from Potter's old fort, in Centre county, to the Juniata turnpike road, at any point between the Yellow Springs and Water Street, in Huntingdon county."

No. 389, "A further supplement to an act, entitled An act to authorise the Governor to incorporate a company to make a lock navigation on the river Schuylkill."

No. 421, "An act to incorporate the Oxford rail road company of Chester county."

And informed,

That the Senate have passed said bills, the three first without and the latter with amendments, in which the concurrence of the House of Representatives is requested.

The amendments by the Senate to the said bill were read, considered and concurred in. And

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate of the same.

And further informed,

That the Senate have receded from their amendments, non-concurred in by the House of Representatives, to the bill No. 27, entitled "An act to annul the marriage contracts of Nicholas Black and Fanny his wife, William Fleming and Rebecca his wife, and John C. Hall, otherwise John Hill, and Matilda his wife."

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, presented for concurrence the bills entitled as follow, viz.

No. 562, "An act changing the name of John Stephens Smith to Kenderton Smith."

No. 563, "An act to change the style of the charter of the German congregation of Zellenople and Harmony, in Butler county."

Which bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

Adjourned until 3 o'clock this afternoon.

SAME DAY.

On motion of Mr. P. Stephens,

Ordered, That when this House adjourns, it will adjourn to meet at half past 7 o'clock this evening, for the purpose of considering the bills entitled as follow, viz.

No. 149, "An act to annul the marriage contract of Samuel Weston and Julia Ann his wife."

No. 343, "A supplement to an act, entitled An act authorising the appointment of commissioners for the purpose of taking testimony relative to the original plan of the town of Armagh, and recording the same."

No. 53, "An act making appropriations for the improvement of certain roads in Montgomery and Lehigh counties."

No. 76, "An act relative to a certain deed executed by Reuben Sayers to Henry Luse, of Greene county."

No. 7, "A further supplement to an act, entitled An act to incorporate the Kensington district of the Northern Liberties."

No. 174, "An act to annul the marriage of Peter Hutz and Mary his wife."

No. 169, "An act to annul the marriage contract of George Foreaker and Rebecca his wife."

No. 294, "A further supplement to an act, entitled An act authorising the Governor to incorporate four companies for making an artificial road from the town of Washington, in this state, to intersect the Harrisburg and Pittsburg turnpike road at or near the town of Bedford."

No. 161, "An act for the relief of Polly Greene, of Athens township, Bradford county."

The bill No. 512, entitled "A supplement to the act, entitled An act to provide for the erection of a poor house, for the better relief and employment of the poor, in the townships of Oxford and Lower Dublin, in the county of Philadelphia," was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered to be transcribed for the third reading, the title being amended by adding thereto "and relating to the poor of the borough of Erie, and certain townships in the county of Erie."

The House resumed the consideration of the bill No. 54, entitled "A supplement to the act, entitled An act making appropriations for certain internal improvements, and for other purposes."

And the question recurring,

Shall the bill be transcribed for the third reading?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Harrison and Pearson, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Agnew
Bell, West.
Bonner
Boyer
Brown, Lan.
Burden
Cope
Cummin
Dunlap
Eldred
Evans
Farrell

Mr. W. Forster
Gebhart
Ihrle
James
Kerr
Krepps
Lawson
M'Bride
M'Creery
M'Sherry
J. Miller

Mr. Overholzer
Ringland
F. Smith
Snyder
P. Stephens
J. Stevens
Tutwiler
Walker
Whitlatch
Wilson
Woolverton

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NAYS.

Mr. Atkinson
Beatty
Becker
G. Bell
Bell, Leb.
Binder
Blair
Bonsall
Boyd

Mr. Brown, Allegh.
Cooper
Cunningham
Denny
Dillinger
Dorrance
Duncan
Ellis
Fackenthal

Mr. W. B. Foster
Haines
Harrison
Knight
Lauman
Lehman
M'Clure
M'Ewen
Madden

NAYS.

Mr. Mathews, Cam.	Mr. R. Miller	Mr. Scudder
Matheys, Mont.	Patterson	Shannon
Mathewson	Pearson	Thomas
Matts	Pennypacker	Thompson
Meredith	Petrikon	Wise
G. Miller	Ramsey	Ritner, <i>Sp'r.</i>
H. Miller	Rankin	

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So the question was determined in the negative.

The House resumed the second reading of the bill from the Senate, No. 490, entitled "An act authorising the Dauphin and Susquehanna coal company to make Stony creek, in Dauphin county, a slack water navigation, and supplementary to an act, entitled An act to incorporate the Dauphin and Susquehanna coal company," passed April 5, 1826.

And the 15th section recurring,

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the same?

It was determined in the negative.

The title was considered and agreed to. And

Ordered, That the bill be prepared for the third reading.

The bill No. 471, entitled "A supplement to the act, entitled An act for the purpose of adjusting the titles to lands in Bedford and Ulster townships, in Luzerne and Lycoming counties, passed the 19th day of March, 1810," was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered to be transcribed for the third reading, the title being amended so as to read as follows, viz.

"An act for the relief of the heirs of Elisha Mathewson."

On motion of Mr. Meredith,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. F. Smith in the chair, on the bill No. 503, entitled "A supplement to the act, entitled An act to try the validity of the charter of the Harrisburg canal, fire insurance and water company, passed 5th April, 1826."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with one amendment.

And; on motion,

The said bill was read the second time.

And the first section was considered and agreed to.

The second section being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. F. Smith, to amend the same by striking therefrom these words, "that it shall and may be lawful for the Secretary of the Commonwealth, upon the request of the said company, to direct the Attorney General, at the next term, to consent to the continuance of the suit which has been instituted against the said company in the supreme court for the Middle district, by virtue of the act to which this is a supplement, until the next subsequent term of the same court," and inserting in lieu

thereof those words, "that the Attorney General be directed to discontinue the suit now pending against the said company in the Middle district of the supreme court,"

And on the question,

Will the House agree so to amend?

It was determined in the negative.

And the section was agreed to.

The title was considered and agreed to. And

Ordered, That the bill be transcribed for the third reading.

On motion of Mr. Meredith,

The rule which prohibits the reading of bills twice on the same day being in this case dispensed with, the said bill was read the third time and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Brown of Allegheny,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Krepps in the chair, on the bill No. 254, entitled "An act to compensate the commissioners appointed to revise the penal code."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with one amendment.

Adjourned until half past 7 o'clock this evening.

IN THE EVENING.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Lawson in the chair, on the bill No. 149, entitled "An act to annul the marriage contract of Samuel Weston and Julia Ann his wife."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with amendments.

And, on motion,

The said bill was read the second time.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the first section?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Meredith and Mr. Thompson, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Atkinson

Becker

G. Bell

Bell, Leb.

Binder

Bonsall

Mr. Boyer

Brown, Lan.

Burden

Cope

Cunningham

Dorrance

Mr. Eldred

Fackenthall

Farrell

Gebhart

Hottenstein

Ihrle

YEAS.

Mr. Kerr
Knight
Krepps
Lauman
Lawson
McClure
Matheys, Mont.
Mathewson

Mr. H. Miller
J. Miller
Overholzer
Patterson
Ringland
Scudder
J. R. C. Smith
P. Stephens

Mr. J. Stevens
Thomas
Tutwiler
Walker
Wilson
Wolfersberger
Woolverton
Ritner, *Sp'r.* 42

NAYS.

Mr. Brown, Allegh.
Cooper
Cummin
Dillinger
Dunlap
W. Forster
Harrison
Hergesheimer

Mr. Lehman
McCreery
McEwen
McSherry
Madden
Mathews, Cam.
Matts
Meredith

Mr. G. Miller
R. Miller
Nicholson
Pennypacker
Ramsey
Rankin
Thompson

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So the question was determined in the affirmative.

The second section was considered.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the same?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Overholzer and Mr. W. Forster, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. G. Bell
Binder
Bonsall
Boyer
Brown, Lan.
Burden
Cope
Cummin
Dorrance
Eldred
Evans

Mr. Fackenthall
Farrell
Hergesheimer
Hottenstein
Knight
Krepps
Lauman
Matheys, Mont.
Mathewson
H. Miller
Overholzer

Mr. Patterson
J. R. C. Smith
P. Stephens
J. Stevens
Thomas
Tutwiler
Walker
Wolfersberger
Woolverton
Ritner, *Sp'r.*

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NAYS.

Mr. Atkinson
Becker
Brown, Allegh.
Cooper
Cunningham
Denny
Dillinger
Dunlap
W. Forster
Gebhart
Harrison

Mr. Kerr
Lawson
Lehman
McCreery
McEwen
McSherry
Madden
Mathews, Cam.
Matts
Meredith
G. Miller

Mr. R. Miller
Nicholson
Pearson
Pennypacker
Ramsey
Rankin
Ringland
Thompson
Whitlatch
Wilson

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So the question was determined in the negative.

The third section was considered and disagreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Krepps, to amend the bill by adding thereto the following new section, viz.

Section 2. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That the marriage contract entered into between George Foreakers and Rebecca his wife, late Rebecca Childs, both of the county of Fayette, be and the same is hereby annulled and made void, and the parties released and discharged from all the legal duties and obligations arising therefrom, as fully, effectually and absolutely as if they had never been joined in marriage.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the new section?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Thompson and Mr. Ramsey, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Eldred	Mr. Patterson
Becker	Evans	Pearson
G. Bell	Fackenthall	Petrikín
Binder	Farrell	J. R. C. Smith
Bonsall	Gebhart	P. Stephens
Boyer	Harrison	J. Stevens
Brown, Lan.	Hergesheimer	Thomas
Burden	Hottenstein	Tutwiler
Cooper	Knight	Walker
Cope	Krepps	Wilson
Cummin	Lauman	Wolfersberger
Dillinger	H. Miller	Woolverton
Dorrance	Nicholson	Ritner, Sp'r.
Duncan	Overholzer	

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NAYS.

Mr. Bell, Leb.	Mr. Lehman	Mr. Meredith
Brown, Allegh.	M'Creery	G. Miller,
Cunningham	M'Ewen	R. Miller
Denny	M'Sherry	Pennypacker
Dunlap	Madden	Ramsey.
W. Forster	Mathews, Cam.	Rankin
Kerr	Matheys, Mont.	Ringland
Lawson	Matts	Thompson

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So the question was determined in the affirmative.

The title was considered and agreed to, being amended by adding thereto "and George Foreakers and Rebecca his wife."

And on the question,

Shall the bill be transcribed for the third reading?

A motion was made by Mr. M'Creery, to postpone the question until to-morrow.

Which was disagreed to.

And the question recurring,

Shall the bill be transcribed for the third reading?

It was determined in the affirmative.

Adjourned until 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

SATURDAY, April 7, 1827.

The Secretary of the Commonwealth being introduced, presented a message from the Governor, (No. 287,) accompanied with a resolution, (No. 288,) of the Legislature of the state of Maine, relative to internal improvements, by the government of the United States.

Which were read, and
Laid on the table.

Mr. Ellis presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Elkland and Shrewsbury townships, Lycoming county, praying that the enrolled militia men in the said townships may be employed on days of training in working on the public roads.

Which was referred to the committee on the militia system.

Mr. Ellis presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Lycoming and Bradford counties, against the repeal of the act appropriating the tax on certain unseated lands in aid of improving the road from Pennsborough to Meansville.

Which was
Laid on the table.

Mr. Wise presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Westmoreland county, praying that the time may be extended for commencing operations on the Greensburg and Robbstown, and Greensburg and New Alexandria turnpike roads.

Which was
Laid on the table,

A motion was made by Mr. Krepps, that when this House adjourns, it will adjourn to meet at 3 o'clock this afternoon, for the purpose of considering the bills.

No. 542, "An act to authorise an examination of the river Monongahela, from the city of Pittsburg to the dividing line between Virginia and Pennsylvania, with a view to ascertain the practicability of improving it by a slack water navigation, or constructing a canal along its banks."

No. 53, "An act making appropriations for the improvement of certain roads in Montgomery and Lehigh counties."

No. 513, "A further supplement to an act, entitled An act to authorise the Governor to incorporate four companies for making an artificial road from the town of Washington, in this state, to intersect the Harrisburg and Pittsburg turnpike road, at or near the town of Bedford."

No. 425, "An act concerning escheated estates."

No. 426, "An act further to prevent the commission of waste."

No. 262, "An act to vest in the guardian of the infant child of John Cunningham, late of Pittsburg, deceased, the right of this commonwealth to the estate of the said John Cunningham."

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

A division of the question was called for by Mr. Wise, to end with meeting this afternoon.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to meet at 3 o'clock this afternoon?

It was determined in the affirmative.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the second part of the motion?

A motion was made by Mr. Binder, to amend the same by striking therefrom all that follows bill No. 542, entitled "An act to authorize an examination of the river Monongahela, from the city of Pittsburg to the dividing line between Virginia and Pennsylvania, with a view to ascertain the practicability of improving it by a slack water navigation, or constructing a canal along its banks."

Which was disagreed to.

And the second part of the motion was disagreed to.

Mr. Boyer and Mr. R. Miller obtained leave of absence from Saturday next, for the remainder of the session.

Mr. Ihrie and Mr. G. Miller obtained leave of absence from Friday next, for the remainder of the session.

Mr. J. Miller obtained leave to withdraw the petition and documents of John D. Creigh.

Mr. Woolverton obtained leave to withdraw the petition and documents of Emily Davidson.

Mr. Dillinger, from the committee appointed to compare bills and present them to the Governor for his approbation, made report, which was read as follows, viz.

That in conjunction with a similar committee from the Senate, they have compared and on this day presented to the Governor for his approbation, the bills entitled as follow, to wit:

An act authorising the commissioners of Lancaster county to sue in the name and style of the commissioners of Lancaster county, and prescribing that no person subject to county rates and levies shall be disqualified for that reason from being judge, juror or witness in such suit.

An act to change the time of meeting of the auditors of Luzerne and Northampton counties.

An act to increase the number of managers in the Huntingdon, Cambria and Indiana turnpike road company, and to reduce the number of managers in the Harrisburg and Middletown turnpike road company, and for other purposes.

An act to authorise the Governor to incorporate a company for making an artificial road from the borough of Wilkesbarre, in the county of Luzerne, by way of Solomon's Gap and Mauch Chunk, to the borough of Northampton, in the county of Lehigh.

An act to annul the marriage contracts of Nicholas Black and Fanny his wife, John W. Shinn and Margaret Ann his wife, William Flemming and Rebecca his wife, and John C. Hale, (otherwise John Hill,) and Matilda his wife.

A supplement to the act, entitled An act to authorise the Governor to incorporate two companies to make an artificial road from Potter's old fort, in Centre county, to the Juniata turnpike road, at any point between the Yellow Springs and Water street, in Huntingdon county.

An act to authorise Joseph M'Cune to erect swinging gates or racks across the south west branch of the Frankstown branch of the river Juniata.

A further supplement to an act, entitled An act to authorise the Governor to incorporate a company to make a lock navigation on the river Schuylkill.

Resolution relative to the printing of the laws relating to the circuit courts.

Laid on the table.

The bills entitled as follow, were severally read the third time and passed, viz

No. 118, "An act relating to lotteries and lottery brokers."

No. 354, "An act relative to the distribution of monies arising from sheriff's and coroner's sales, and for other purposes." And

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

The bill from the Senate, No. 490, entitled "An act authorising the Dauphin and Susquehanna coal company to make Stony creek, in Dauphin county, a slack water navigation, and supplementary to an act, entitled An act to incorporate the Dauphin and Susquehanna coal company, passed April 5, 1826," was read the third time and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate, and request their concurrence in the amendment thereto by this House.

The bill No. 471, entitled "An act for the relief of the heirs of Elizabeth Mathewson," was read the third time.

When a motion was made by Mr. Eldred, that the bill be recommended to a committee of the whole House for the purpose of amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Whereupon,

The House again resolved itself into a committee of the whole; Mr. M'Bride in the chair, on the said bill.

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with one amendment.

And on the question,

Shall the bill pass?

It was determined in the affirmative. And

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

The bill No. 149, entitled "An act to annul the marriage contracts of Samuel Weston and Julia Ann his wife, and George Foreakers and Rebecca his wife," was read the third time.

And on the question,

Shall the same pass?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Wise and Mr. Matts, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Duncan	Mr. Mathewson
Beatty	Eldred	H. Miller
Becker	Evans	Overholzer
G. Bell	Fackenthall	Patterson
Bell Leb.	W. B. Foster	Petrakin
Bell, West.	Gebhart	Rahn
Binder	Good	Scudder
Bonner	Hergesheimer	J. R. C. Smith
Bonsall	Hottenstein	Snyder
Boyer	Ihrrie	P. Stephens
Brown, Lan.	Kerr	Thomas
Burden	Krepps	Tutwiler
Buyers	Lauman	Walker
Cope	Lawson	Woltersberger
Cummin	M'Bride	Wolford
Cunningham	M'Clure	Woolverton
Dillinger	M'Reynolds	Ritner, Sp'r.
Dorrance	Matheys, Mont.	

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NAYS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. Lehman	Mr. Nicholson
Aughinbaugh	M'Creery	Pennypacker
Blair	M'Ewen	Ramsey
Cooper	M'Sherry	Rankin
Denny	Mathews, Cam.	Thompson
Dunlap	Matts	Whitlatch
W. Forster	Meredith	Wilson
Harrison	G. Miller	Wise
James	R. Miller	

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So the question was determined in the affirmative. And

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, presented for concurrence the bills entitled as follow, viz.

No. 564, "A supplement to an act, entitled An act authorising the Governor to incorporate the Lackawanna and Susquehanna rail road company."

Which bill was read, and

Laid on the table.

No. 565, "An act relative to laying out state roads,"

Which bill was read and made the order of the day for Tuesday next.

No. 566, "An act to incorporate the Pennsylvania association for the mutual comfort and support of its members, and the support and education of their children."

No. 567, "A supplement to an act, entitled An act securing to mechanics and others, payment for their labour and materials in erecting any house or other building within the city and county of Philadelphia."

Which bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

And informed,

That the Senate have receded from their non-concurrence to the amendments insisted on by the House of Representatives to the resolution from the Senate, No 505, relative to the services of Governor Carroll, during the late war.

He returned the bills entitled as follow, viz.

No. 597, "An act to authorise the commissioners of Dauphin county to establish a public school in the borough of Harrisburg, on the Lancasterian system."

No. 85, "An act to establish a bank in the county of Lebanon."

No. 391, "A supplement to the act, entitled An act authorising the Governor to incorporate the Milesburg and Smethsport turnpike road company, and to revive and continue in force and amend an act, entitled An act to authorise the Governor to incorporate the president and managers and company of the Mount Pleasant turnpike road of Wayne county."

And informed,

That the Senate have passed the first without and the two latter with amendments, in which the concurrence of the House of Representatives is requested.

The amendments by the Senate to the bill No. 85, entitled "An act to establish a bank in the county of Lebanon," were read.

And the first amendment was considered and concurred in.

The second amendment being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Denny, to amend the same by striking therefrom the following words, "nor shall any such bank issue any such notes of banks not authorised by the laws of the state."

Which was disagreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Snyder, to amend the amendment by inserting after 'bank,' these words, 'from and after the first day of September next.'

Which was agreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Meredith, further to amend the amendment by striking therefrom 'such,' and adding thereto 'of a lower denomination than five dollars.'

Which was agreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Meredith, further to amend the amendment by adding thereto the following words, 'and it shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Commonwealth, immedi-

ately after the passage of this act, to cause this section to be published in at least five newspapers in this commonwealth.'

Which was agreed to.

And the amendment as amended was concurred in. And *Ordered*, That the Clerk inform the Senate of the same.

The amendments by the Senate to the bill No. 391, entitled "A supplement to the act, entitled An act authorising the Governor to incorporate the Milesburg and Smethsport turnpike road company, and to revive and continue in force and amend an act, entitled An act to authorise the Governor to incorporate the president and managers and company, of the Mount Pleasant turnpike road of Wayne county," were read.

When a motion was made by Mr. G. Bell, that the House non-concur in the said amendments.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Kerr and Mr. Petrikin, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Eldred	Mr. Mathewson
Aughinbaugh	Ellis	J. Miller
Beatty	Farrell	Overholzer
G. Bell	W. Forster	Patterson
Binder	Good	Petrikin
Blair	Ihrle	Rankin
Bonner	Krepps	Scudder
Boyer	Lauman	Shannon
Brown, Allegh.	Lawson	F. Smith
Brown, Lan.	M'Bride	Snyder
Burden	M'Clure	Walker
Cummin	M'Ewen	Wilson
Dorrance	M'Reynolds	Woolverton
Duncan	M'Sherry	Ritner, <i>Sp'r.</i>
Dunlap	Madden	

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NAYS.

Mr. Becker	Mr. Hottenstein	Mr. Nicholson
Bell, West.	James	Pearson
Cooper	Kerr	Pennypacker
Cunningham	Knight	Ramsey
Denny	M'Creery	Ringland
Dillinger	Mathews, Cam.	J. Stevens
Fackenthall	Matheys, Mont.	Thompson
Gebhart	Matts	Whitlatch
Harrison	Meredith	Wise
Hergesheimer	G. Miller	Woltersberger

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So the question was determined in the affirmative. And *Ordered*, That the Clerk inform the Senate of the same.

On motion of Mr. Ellis,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Cooper in the chair, on the bill No. 558, entitled "An act in part to repeal an act, entitled An act relative to the state penitentiary in the county of Allegheny."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill without amendment. And

On motion,

The said bill was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered to be transcribed for the third reading.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the rule which prohibits the reading of bills twice on the same day being in this case dispensed with, the said bill was read the third time and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. M'Creery, the rule for going into a committee of the whole being in this case dispensed with, the bill No. 74, entitled "An act granting compensation to Peter Fricker and Adam Koch, for donation tracts to which they are entitled," was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered to be transcribed for the third reading, the title being amended so as to read as follows, viz. "An act granting compensation for donation land, to sundry soldiers and heirs of soldiers of the revolutionary war."

On motion of Mr. M'Creery, the rule which prohibits the reading of bills twice on the same day being in this case dispensed with, the said bill was read the third time and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, presented for concurrence the bill No. 568, entitled "An act vesting in Rebecca Vanfossen, the illegitimate child of Mary Ogle, deceased, the estate of said deceased."

Which bill was read, and

Laid on the table.

And returned the bill No. 275, entitled "An act to erect the town of Alexandria, in the county of Huntingdon, into a borough."

And informed,

That the Senate have passed said bill without amendment.

He further informed,

That the Senate have concurred in the amendment by the House of Representatives to the bill from the Senate, No. 490, entitled "An act authorising the Dauphin and Susquehanna coal company to make Stony creek, in Dauphin county, a slack water navigation, and supplementary to an act, entitled An act to incorporate the Dauphin and Susquehanna coal company, passed April 5, 1826."

On motion of Mr. Petrikin, the bill No. 545, entitled "An act fixing the compensation of the state engineers and their assistants," was read the second time.

And the first section being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Ellis, to amend the same by striking from the 5th line, 'now.'

Which was agreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Ellis, farther to amend the section by striking from the 7th line, 'be one thousand six hundred dollars,' and inserting in lieu thereof, 'not exceed two thousand dollars.'

Which was agreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Beatty, further to amend the section by striking from the 15th line, 'be two,' and inserting in lieu thereof, 'not exceed four.'

The amendment being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Ellis, to amend the same by striking therefrom 'four,' and inserting in lieu thereof 'seven.'

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Ihrie and Mr. J. Miller, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Burden
Cunningham
Duncan
Ellis

Mr. Knight
Lehman
Meredith

Mr. Pearson
J. R. C. Smith
Snyder

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NAYS.

Mr. Atkinson
Aughinbaugh
Beatty
Becker
G. Bell
Bell, Leb.
Bell, West.
Binder
Blair
Bonner
Bonsall
Boyer
Brown, Allegh.
Brown, Lan.
Buyers
Cooper
Cope
Cummin
Denny
Dillinger
Dorrance

Mr. Dunlap
Eldred
Fackenthall
Farrell
W. Forster
W. B. Foster
Gebhart
Good
Harrison
Hergesheimer
Hottenstein
Ihrie
James
Kerr
Krepps
Lauman
Lawson
M'Bride
M'Clure
M'Creery
M'Ewen

Mr. M'Reynolds
M'Sherry
Madden
Mathews, Cam.
Mathewson
Matts
G. Miller
H. Miller
J. Miller
Nicholson
Overholzer
Patterson
Pennypacker
Petrikin
Rahn
Ramsey
Rankin
Ringland
Scudder
Shannon
F. Smith

NAYS.

Mr. P. Stephens
J. Stevens
Thomas
Thompson

Mr. Walker
Whitlatch
Wilson
Wise

Mr. Wolfersberger
Woolverton
Ritner, *Sp'r.*

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So the question was determined in the negative.

And the the question recurring on the amendment,
It was determined in the affirmative.

A motion was then made by Mr. Ellis, further to amend the section by inserting after 'drawn,' in the 8th line 'on the treasurer of the internal improvement fund.'

Which was agreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Ellis, further to amend the section by inserting in the 9th line, after monthly, the following words, viz. 'And no allowance shall be made for the personal expenses of any engineers or assistant engineer in the employment of this state, and that the principal engineers shall not absent themselves from attending personally to the operations upon the canals under their direction, except in cases of sickness or other imperative necessity.'

And on the question,

Will the House agree so to amend?

It was determined in the affirmative.

A motion was then made by Mr. Ellis, further to amend the section by striking from the 10th line, 'be two,' and inserting in lieu thereof, 'not exceed three.'

And on the question,

Will the House agree so to amend?

A motion was made by Mr. Burden, that the House adjourn.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Burden and Mr. Pearson, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Atkinson
Binder
Blair
Bonner
Bonsall
Burden
Cooper
Cunningham
Eldred
Harrison

Mr. Hergesheimer
Hottenstein
Ihrle
Knight
Lehman
M'Ewen
M'Reynolds
Madden
Matts

Mr. Meredith
G. Miller
Pearson
Scudder
F. Smith
Snyder
P. Stephens
Thompson
Ritner, *Sp'r.*

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NAYS.

Mr. Aughinbaugh
Beatty
G. Bell
Bell, Lobb.

Mr. Bell, West.
Boyer
Brown, Allegh.
Brown, Ian.

Mr. Buyers
Cope
Cummin
Denny

NAYS.

Mr. Dillinger	Mr. Lawson	Mr. Rahn
Dorrance	M'Clure	Ramsey
Dunlap	M'Creery	Rankin
Ellis	M'Sherry	Ringland
Fackenthall	Mathews, Cam.	Shannon
Farrell	Mathewson	J. R. C. Smith
W. Forster	H. Miller	J. Stevens
W. B. Foster	J. Miller	Thomas
Gebhart	Nicholson	Whitlatch
Good	Overholzer	Wilson
James	Patterson	Wise
Kerr	Pennypacker	Wolfersberger
Krepps	Petrikín	Woolverton
Lauman		

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So the question was determined in the negative.

And the amendment recurring,

On motion,

The House adjourned until 3 o'clock this afternoon.

SAME DAY.

A motion was made by Mr. Wise, that the House adjourn.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Wise and Mr. Fackenthall, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Aughinbaugh	Mr. Haines	Mr. Meredith
Becker	Hottenstein	G. Miller
Binder	Ihrle	Shannon
Bonsall	Knight	F. Smith
Boyer	Lehman	Snyder
Cooper	M'Ewen	Thomas
Cunningham	M'Reynolds	Thompson
Duncan	Mathews, Cam.	Wise
Eldred	Matts	Ritner, Sp'r.

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NAYS.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Bonner	Mr. Cummin
Beatty	Brown, Allegh.	Denny
G. Bell	Brown, Lan.	Dorrance
Bell, Leb.	Buyers	Ellis
Blair	Cope	Fackenthall

YAYS.

Mr. W. B. Foster

Mr. M'Creery

Mr. Ramsey

Gebhart

M'Sherry

Rankin

Harrison

Madden

Ringland

James

H. Miller

Scudder

Kennedy

J. Miller

J. Stevens

Kerr

Nicholson

Tutwiler

Krepps

Overholzer

Wilson

Lauman

Patterson

Wolfersberger

Lawson

Pennypacker

Woolverton

M'Bride

Petrikin

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So the question was determined in the negative.

The House resumed the consideration of the bill No. 545, entitled "An act fixing the compensation of the state engineers and their assistants."

And the question recurring on the amendment in the 10th line of the section,

It was determined in the negative.

A motion was then made by Mr. Meredith to amend the section in the 10th line, by inserting after 'engineers,' these words, 'sub-engineers.'

Which was disagreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Lawson, to amend the section by striking from the 6th line 'said,' and inserting in lieu thereof, 'principal.'

Which was agreed to.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the section as amended?

It was determined in the affirmative.

A motion was then made by Mr. Cunningham, to amend the bill by adding thereto the following new section, viz.

Section 2. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That the board of canal commissioners be and they are hereby authorised to appoint one or two persons, in addition to the present acting canal commissioners, to superintend the construction of the canals now authorised or such as may be authorised by law, who shall be allowed the same compensation as is now allowed by law to the acting canal commissioners, and shall be subject to the same obligations.

The new section being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Ringland, to amend the same by striking therefrom 'persons,' and inserting in lieu thereof, 'of their number'

Which was disagreed to.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the new section?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Farrell and Mr. Gebhart, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. W. Forster	Mr. Mathewson
Beatty	W. B. Foster	Meredith
G. Bell	Good	J. Miller
Bell, Leb.	Haines	Patterson
Blair	Harrison	Pennypacker
Bonsall	Hergesheimer	Petrikín
Boyer	Ihríe	Rankin
Brown, Allegh.	Kennedy	Scudder
Cope	Knight	Shannon
Cummin	Lawson	J. R. C. Smith
Cunningham	Lehman	J. Stevens
Denny	M'Clure	Thomas
Dorrance	M'Creery	Thompson
Duncan	M'Ewen	Wilson
Eldred	M'Reynolds	Woolverton
Fackenthall	Madden	Ritner, Sp'r. 48

NAYS.

Mr. Aughinbaugh	Mr. Gebhart	Mr. H. Miller
Bell, West.	Hottenstein	Nicholson
Binder	James	Overholzer
Bonner	Kerr	Rahn
Brown, Lan.	Krepps	Ramsey
Burden	Lauman	Ringland
Buyers	M'Bride	F. Smith
Cooper	M'Sherry	Tutwiler
Dunlap	Mathews, Cam.	Walker
Ellis	Matheys, Mont.	Whitlatch
Evans	Matts	Wise
Farrell	G. Miller	Wolfsberger

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So the question was determined in the affirmative.

The title being under consideration,

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the same?

A motion was made by Mr. Burden, that the House adjourn.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Bonsall and Mr. Burden, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Binder	Mr. Cooper	Mr. Knight
Bonner	Haines	Lehman
Bonsall	Harrison	Meredith
Burden	Hergesheimer	Pennypacker

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NAYS.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Hottenstein	Mr. Overholzer
Aughinbaugh	Ihrle	Patterson
Beatty	James	Pearson
Bell, Leb	Kennedy	Petrikon
Bell, West	Kerr	Rahn
Blair	Krepps	Ramsey
Boyer	Lauman	Rankin
Brown, Allegh	Lawson	Ringland
Brown, Lan	M'Bride	Scudder
Buyers	M'Clure	Shannon
Cope	M'Creery	F. Smith
Cummin	M'Ewen	J. R. C. Smith
Cunningham	M'Reynolds	J. Stevens
Denny	M'Sherry	Thomas
Dorrance	Madden	Thompson
Duncan	Mathews, Cam.	Tutwiler
Dunlap	Matheys, Mont.	Walker
Ellis	Mathewson	Whitlatch
Fackenthall	Matts	Wilson
Farrell	G. Miller	Wise
W. Forster	H. Miller	Wolffersberger
W. B. Foster	J. Miller	Woolverton
Gebhart	Nicholson	Ritner, Sp'r.
Good		

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So the question was determined in the negative.

The previous question was then called for by Messrs. Gebhart, Mathews of Cambria, Cooper, Scudder, G. Miller, J. Miller, M'Creery, Ringland, Kerr, Kennedy, James and Tutwiler.

And on the question,

Shall the main question be now put?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Burden and Mr. Bonsall, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Cunningham	Mr. Hottenstein
Aughinbaugh	Denny	Ihrle
Beatty	Dorrance	James
G. Bell	Duncan	Kennedy
Bell, Leb.	Dunlap	Kerr
Bell, West.	Ellis	Knight
Blair	Evans	Krepps
Bonner	Fackenthall	Lauman
Bonsall	Farrell	Lawson
Boyer	W. Forster	M'Bride
Brown, Allegh.	W. B. Foster	M'Clure
Brown, Lan.	Gebhart	M'Creery
Buyers	Good	M'Ewen
Cope	Haines	M'Reynolds
Cummin	Harrison	M'Sherry

YEAS.

Mr. Madden	Mr. Patterson	Mr. Thomas
Mathews, Cam.	Petrikín	Tutwiler
Matheys, Mont.	Rahn	Walker
Mathewson	Ramsey	Whitlatch
Matts	Rankin	Wilson
G. Miller	Ringland	Wise
H. Miller	Scudder	Wolfsberger
J. Miller	Shannon	Woolverton
Nicholson	F. Smith	Ritner, <i>Spr.</i>
Overholzer	J. Stevens	

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NAYS.

Mr. Binder,	Mr. Lehman	Mr. Pennypacker
Burden	Meredith	J. R. C. Smith
Cooper	Pearson	Thompson

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So the question was determined in the affirmative.

And on the main question, viz.

Will the House agree to the title?

It was determined in the affirmative. And

Ordered, That the bill be transcribed for the third reading.

On motion of Mr. M'Creery, the rule which prohibits the reading of bills twice on the same day being in this case dispensed with, the said bill was read the third time and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk present the said bill to the Senate for concurrence.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, presented for concurrence the bills entitled as follow, viz.

No. 569, "An act for the relief of John Barlet, a soldier of the revolution."

No. 570, "A further supplement to an act, entitled An act to incorporate a company for making a turnpike road from Butler to the Allegheny river, opposite Kittanning."

No. 571, "An act relative to the Lycoming and Potter turnpike road company."

Which bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Woolverton,

The bill No. 493, entitled "A supplement to an act, entitled An act for the relief of the poor, passed the 9th day of March, 1771," was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered to be transcribed for the third reading.

On motion of Mr. Woolverton,

The rule which prohibits the reading of bills twice on the same day, being in this case dispensed with, the said bill was read the third time and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, presented for concurrence the bills entitled as follow, viz.

No. 572, "A supplement to the act, entitled An act to alter and amend the fee bill."

No. 573, "A further supplement to the act, entitled An act to appoint a board of canal commissioners."

No. 574, "An act for the relief of William Streper, a soldier of the revolution."

No. 575, "An act for the relief of William Blair, William Leckey, administrators of James Arthurs, deceased, and the sureties of Samuel Mann, late a collector of taxes in the city of Pittsburgh."

Which bills were read, and

Laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Rahn,

The bill No. 84, entitled "An act to incorporate the Schuylkill bank, in the county of Schuylkill," was read the second time.

And the first section being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Rahn, to amend the same by striking therefrom all that follows the enacting clause, and inserting in lieu thereof the following words, viz. "That either of the banks of the city or county of Philadelphia may, and they are hereby authorised, to establish an office of discount and deposit at the town of Pottsville in the county of Schuylkill: *Provided*, that only one of the said banks shall, at the same time, have an office of discount and deposit at the said town of Pottsville: *And provided*, That before either of the said banks shall establish an office of discount and deposit as aforesaid, they shall, on or before the first day of July next, file their determination of establishing said office of discount and deposit as aforesaid, signed by the president of said bank, in the office of the prothonotary of the county of Schuylkill, and the certificate of such determination, which shall be first filed in the Prothonotary's office aforesaid, shall have the preference of establishing such office of discount and deposit as aforesaid."

And on the question,

Will the House agree so to amend?

It was determined in the affirmative.

And the section as amended was agreed to.

The remaining sections were severally considered and disagreed to.

The title was considered and agreed to, being amended so as to read as follows, viz.

"An act to authorise the establishment of a branch bank in the town of Pottsville, in Schuylkill county." And

Ordered, That the bill be transcribed for the third reading.

On motion of Mr. Rahn,

The rule which prohibits the reading of bills twice on the same day, being in this case dispensed with, the said bill was read the third time and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

The bill from the Senate, No. 535, entitled "An act to authorise the trustees of a public school in Douglass township, Berks county, to sell certain real estate," was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered to be prepared for the third reading.

On motion of Mr. Boyer,

The rule which prohibits the reading of bills twice on the same day, being in this case dispensed with, the said bill was read the third time and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate and request their concurrence in the amendments thereto by this House.

On motion of Mr. Denny,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Cope in the chair, on the bill No. 262, entitled "An act to vest in the guardian of the infant child of John Cunningham, late of Pittsburg, deceased, the right of this commonwealth to the estate of the said John Cunningham."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported that the committee had risen for want of a quorum.

Adjourned until 9 o'clock on Monday morning next.

MONDAY, April 9, 1827.

The Speaker laid before the House a letter from the Auditor General, (No. 289,) accompanied with a statement, (No. 290,) of the tolls of certain turnpike road companies.

Which were read, and referred to Messrs. Lawson, Farrell, Ihrie, Thompson, Bertolet, Brown of Allegheny, and Brown of Lancaster.

Mr. Harrison presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Bucks county, praying for a division of the said county,

Which was

Laid on the table.

A motion was made by Mr. Rahn, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That the Speaker draw his warrant on the state treasurer, in favor of Hutter and Miller, printers of the German journal of this House, for fourteen hundred dollars, to be accounted for in the settlement of their account. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

Mr. Agnew obtained leave of absence for two days.

Messrs. M'Bride, M'Creery, Thomas and W. B. Foster obtained leave of absence from Saturday next, for the remainder of the session.

Messrs. Harrison and Evans obtained leave of absence from Friday next, for the remainder of the session.

Mr. Eldred obtained leave of absence from Wednesday next, for the remainder of the session.

Mr. Eldred obtained leave to withdraw the petition and documents of Jacob S. Davis.

Mr. M'Bride obtained leave to withdraw the petition and documents of Moses Van Campen.

On motion of Mr. Ellis,

Ordered, That Mr. Cooper be of the committee appointed by this House, in the room of Mr. Irwin, who is absent, to confer with a committee of the Senate on the disagreement between the two Houses relative to the bill from the Senate, No. 242, entitled "An act abolishing the Middle, Southern and Lancaster districts of the supreme court," and

Ordered, that the Clerk inform the Senate of the same.

Mr. Dillinger, from the committee appointed to compare bills and present them to the Governor for his approbation, made report, which was read as follows, viz.

That in conjunction with a similar committee from the Senate, they have compared and on this day presented to the Governor for his approbation, the bills entitled as follow, to wit:

An act to incorporate the Oxford rail road company of Chester county.

An act to erect the town of Alexandria, in the county of Huntington, into a borough.

An act to authorise the commissioners of Dauphin county to establish a public school in the borough of Harrisburg, on the Lancasterian system.

An act authorising the Dauphin and Susquehanna coal company to make Stony creek, in Dauphin county, a slack water navigation, and supplementary to an act, entitled An act to incorporate the Dauphin and Susquehanna coal company, passed April fifth, eighteen hundred and twenty-six.

Resolution relative to the services of Governor Carroll during the late war.

Laid on the table.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, returned the bills entitled as follow, viz.

No. 40, "An act directing the commissioners of Venango county to raise a sum of money to extinguish a debt due the county of Warren."

328, "An act for the relief of William Arnold, late a supervisor of Luzerne township, in the county of Fayette, and for other purposes."

258, "An act authorising a re-examination and settlement of the accounts of Joseph M'Cullough, a supervisor in Jefferson county."

375, "A Supplement to the several acts for the inspection of staves and heading."

259, "An act to incorporate the Philadelphia rail way dock company."

And informed,

That the Senate have passed said bills, the four first without and the latter with amendments, in which the concurrence of the House of Representatives is requested.

The amendments by the Senate to the said bill were read, considered and concurred in, and

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate of the same.

And further informed,

That the Senate have concurred in the amendments by the House of Representatives, to the amendment by the Senate to the bill from the House of Representatives, No. 85, entitled "An act to establish a bank in the county of Lebanon."

Agreeably to leave given,

The House again resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Beatty in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 509, entitled "An act concerning unpatented lands."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Leave was granted, and

Ordered, That the committee of the whole sit again on to-morrow.

Adjourned until 3 o'clock this afternoon.

SAME DAY.

The Secretary of the Commonwealth being introduced presented a message from the Governor which was read as follows, viz.

To the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

GENTLEMEN,

I have this day approved and signed the following acts and resolution of the General Assembly, and directed the Secretary of the Commonwealth to return them to the Houses in which they respectively originated, viz.

An act supplementary to an act, for building a bridge over the river Schuylkill, opposite Norristown, in the county of Montgomery.

A supplement to the act, entitled An act authorising the Governor to incorporate the Conestogo navigation company.

An act relative to the eastern and western penitentiaries.

A supplement to the act, entitled An act authorising the Governor to incorporate the Susquehanna and Lehigh canal company.

An act to lay out a state road from New Geneva, in Fayette county, through Greensburg, in Greene county, to the Virginia line, in the direction of the mouth of Fishing creek.

An act to authorise the Governor to incorporate a company for making an artificial road from the borough of Wilkesbarre, in the county of Luzerne, by the way of Solomon's Gap and Mauch Chunk, to the borough of Northampton, in the county of Lehigh.

An act authorising the commissioners of Lancaster county, to sue in the name and style of the commissioners of Lancaster county, and prescribing that no person subject to county rates and levies shall be disqualified, for that reason, from being judge, juror or witness in such suit.

An act to change the time of meeting of the auditors of Luzerne and Northampton counties.

An act to increase the number of managers in the Huntingdon, Cambria and Indiana turnpike road company, and to reduce the number of managers in the Harrisburg and Middletown turnpike road company, and for other purposes.

A supplement to the act, entitled An act to authorise the Governor to incorporate two companies, to make an artificial road from Potter's old fort, in Centre county, to the Juniata turnpike road, at any point between the Yellow Springs and Water Street, in Huntingdon county.

An act to authorise Joseph M'Cune to erect swinging gates or racks across the south-west branch of the Frankstown branch of the river Juniata.

A further supplement to an act, entitled An act to authorise the Governor to incorporate a company to make a lock navigation on the river Schuylkill.

An act to annul the marriage contracts of Nicholas Black and Fanny his wife, John W. Shinn and Margaret Ann his wife, William Fleming and Rebecca his wife, and John C. Hale, (otherwise John Hill,) and Matilda his wife.

An act to provide for the further extension of the Pennsylvania canal.

Resolution relative to the printing of the laws relating to the circuit courts.

J. ANDW. SHULZE.

Harrisburg, April 9, 1827.

Laid on the table.

Agreeably to the order of the day,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. F. Smith in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 556, entitled "An act concerning agencies of insurance companies, not authorised by the laws of this state, established within this commonwealth.

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill without amendment. And

On motion,

The said bill was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered to be prepared for the third reading.

On motion of Mr. Meredith, the rule which prohibits the reading of bills twice on the same day, being in this case dispensed with, the said bill was read the third time and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate.

Agreeably to the order of the day,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Meredith in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 515, entitled "A further supplement to the act, entitled An act for the regulation of the militia of this Commonwealth."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with amendments.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Madden in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 316, entitled "A supplement to an act entitled An act authorising the Governor to incorporate the York water company, passed the 8th day of February, 1816."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill without amendment. And

On motion,

The said bill was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered, To be prepared for the third reading.

On motion of Mr. Cooper, the rule which prohibits the reading of bills twice on the same day, being in this case dispensed with, the said bill was read the third time and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. M'Sherry,

The House again resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Ringland in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 280, entitled "An act incorporating the theological seminary of the general synod of the Evangelical Lutheran church in the United States."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with amendments.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Matheys of Montgomery in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 321, entitled "An act to incorporate the borough of Selinsgrove, in Union county, and the town of Berlin, in the county of Somerset."

And after some time,
The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with amendments.

Adjourned until 9 o'clock to morrow morning.

TUESDAY, April 10, 1827.

On motion of Mr. Farrell,

Ordered, That the committee to whom were referred sundry petitions relative to the Greensburg and Stoystown turnpike road company, be discharged from the further consideration of the same, and that the said petitions be recommended to the early attention of the next legislature.

A motion was made by Mr. Burden, that this House will meet at half past 7 o'clock this evening, for the purpose of considering the bills from the Senate, entitled as follow, viz.

No. 572, entitled "A supplement to an act, entitled An act to alter and amend the fee bill."

No. 483, "An act granting aid to Allegheny college, in Crawford county."

No. 473, "An act authorising the administrators of Peter Anthony to sell and convey certain real estate."

No. 350, "An act to authorise the trustees of Nancy Wharton to sell and convey certain property."

No. 415, "A supplement to the act, entitled An act to incorporate the Lehigh coal and navigation company, passed 13th February, 1822."

No. 570, "A further supplement to an act, entitled An act to incorporate a company for making a turnpike road from Butler to the Allegheny river, opposite Kittanning."

No. 498, "An act to authorise the committee of the estate of Charles Willing Hare to sell and convey real estate."

No. 428, "A supplement to an act, entitled An act for the promotion of agriculture and domestic manufactures."

No. 474, "An act to enable Rosina Jacoby to convey certain real estate, and for other purposes."

No. 575, "An act for the relief of William Blair and William Leckey, administrators of James Arthurs, deceased, and the sureties of Samuel Mann, late collector of taxes in the city of Pittsburg."

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

A division of the question was called for by Mr. Dillinger.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to meet at half past 7 o'clock this evening?

It was determined in the affirmative.

And the second part of the motion was disagreed to.

On motion of Mr. Ellis,

Ordered, That the bill No. 442, entitled "An act to alter the terms of holding the courts of common pleas and county courts, and to establish courts of general common pleas," be recommended to the particular and early attention of the next legislature.

A motion was made by Mr. Harrison, that the bill No. 838, entitled "An act regulating tavern licenses," be recommended to the early and especial attention of the next legislature.

The motion being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Eldred, to amend the same by inserting "and the bill No. 265, entitled 'An act erecting part of Northampton county into a separate county, to be called Coal.'"

Which was disagreed to.

And the motion was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Lawson,

Ordered, That 8 o'clock be the standing hour of meeting of this House in the morning, until otherwise ordered.

A motion was made by Mr. Wise, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That the Speaker draw his warrant on the State Treasurer, in favor of the Clerk and assistant Clerk of this House, for two hundred dollars each, and Sergeant-at-arms and Door-keeper each seventy-five dollars, and the assistant Door-keepers each forty dollars, as an extra compensation for the faithful discharge of their duties during the present session.

And on motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, and being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. M'Creery, to amend the same by striking therefrom 'two hundred,' and inserting in lieu thereof 'one hundred'; and by striking therefrom 'seventy-five,' and inserting in lieu thereof 'fifty'; and by striking therefrom 'forty,' and inserting in lieu thereof 'twenty-five.'

Which was agreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Meredith, further to amend the resolution by inserting after 'Clerk,' 'and Transcribing Clerks.'

Which was agreed to.

And the resolution as amended was adopted.

Mr. Dillinger, from the committee appointed to compare bills and present them to the Governor for his approbation, made report, which was read as follows, viz.

That in conjunction with a similar committee from the Senate, they have compared and on this day presented to the Governor for his approbation, the bills entitled as follow, to wit :

An act authorising a re-examination and settlement of the accounts of Joseph M'Cullough, a supervisor in Jefferson county.

An act for the relief of William Arnold, late a supervisor of Luzerne township, in the county of Fayette, and for other purposes.

An act directing the commissioners of Venango county to raise a sum of money, to extinguish a debt due the county of Warren.

An act to establish a bank in the county of Lebanon, and for other purposes.

A supplement to the several acts for the inspection of staves and heading.

Laid on the table.

Mr. J. Miller, from the joint committee appointed for the purpose, made a report, (No. 291,) relative to improving the public ground, accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That the committee be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Laid on the table.

The bill from the Senate, No. 515, entitled "A further supplement to the act, entitled An act for the regulation of the militia of this commonwealth," was read the second time.

When a motion was made by Mr. Ringland, that the said bill be re-committed to a committee of the whole House, for the purpose of amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Whereupon,

The House again resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Nicholson in the chair, on the said bill.

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with one amendment.

The bill being again before the House,

The first section was considered and agreed to.

The second section being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Wise, to postpone the same for the purpose of introducing the following new section, viz.

And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the Adjutant General be and he is hereby required, upon the requisition of the inspector of the 1st brigade, 13th division, Pennsylvania militia, to furnish and deliver to said inspector, the necessary number of swords, pistols and holsters, for the first troop of Westmoreland cavalry, and for the New Alexandria light dragoons, in the county of Westmoreland. And the captains of said companies shall, previous to the receipt of said arms, deliver to the said inspector, bonds with

approved security, in the same manner as directed by the act to which this is a supplement.

Which was disagreed to.

And the 2d section was agreed to.

The 3d section being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Duncan, to postpone the same for the purpose of inserting the following new section. viz.

Sect. 4. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid*, That the Adjutant General be and he is hereby authorised to purchase, for the use of the state, 400 copies of Infantry Discipline, and the like number of Light Infantry and Rifle Discipline, of the same edition of those published under the direction of the late Adjutant General, agreeably to the 52d section of the act, passed the 2d April, 1822, entitled "An act for the regulation of the militia of this commonwealth;" *provided* the same can be purchased on reasonable terms, viz. the first not to exceed one dollar per copy, and the other not to exceed sixty cents per copy. And, in addition to the above, the Adjutant General is hereby authorised to purchase and furnish to each commandant of a company of artillery, for the use of the company, one copy of the best system of discipline and instruction for artillery that can be procured, to be paid for, delivered and receipted for as in the above recited section.

Which was agreed to

And the new section was agreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Duncan, further to amend the bill by inserting the following new section, viz.

Sect. 4. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid*, That it shall and may be lawful for any volunteer troop or company of militia, in this commonwealth, to admit to honorary membership such persons, subject to enrollment in the militia, as may apply for such membership, not exceeding fifteen to each company, who, from the time of being so admitted, shall be exempt from militia duty on paying to the volunteer corps to which they may be attached, the amount of fines for non-attendance on days of parade and training: *provided however*, that nothing herein contained shall be construed to exempt any person from militia duty, when the militia company, in the bounds of which he may reside, shall be called into actual service.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Binder and Mr. Duncan, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Bell, Leb.

Mr. Haines

Mr. F. Smith

Binder

Hergeshcimer

J. R. C. Smith

Burden

Knight

Snyder

Denny

Lehman

P. Stephens

Duncan

Matheys, Mont.

Walker

Eldred

Pearson

Woolverton 18

NAYS.

Mr. Atkinson
 Aughinbaugh
 Beatty
 Becker
 G. Bell
 Bell, West.
 Bertolet
 Blair
 Bonner
 Boyer
 Brown, Allegh.
 Brown, Lan.
 Cooper
 Cope
 Cummin
 Cunningham
 Dorrance
 Dunlap
 Ellis

Mr. Evans
 Fackenthal
 W. Forster
 Good
 Harrison
 Hottenstein
 Ihrie
 James
 Kennedy
 Kerr
 Lauman
 M'Bride
 M'Clure
 M'Creery
 M'Ewen
 M'Sherry
 Madden
 Mathews, Cam
 G. Miller

Mr. H. Miller
 J. Miller
 R. Miller
 Nicholson
 Overholzer
 Patterson
 Pennypacker
 Rahn
 Ramsey
 Rankin
 Ringland
 Scudder
 Thompson
 Whitlatch
 Wilson
 Wise
 Wolfersberger
 Wolford
 Ritner, *Sp'r.* 57

So the question was determined in the negative.

The remaining sections and title were severally considered and agreed to. And

Ordered to be prepared for the third reading.

The bill from the Senate, No. 280, entitled "An act incorporating the theological seminary of the general synod of the Evangelical Lutheran church in the United States," was read the second time.

And the first section was considered.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the same?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Boyer and Mr. Overholzer, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Beatty
 Becker
 G. Bell
 Bell, Leb.
 Binder
 Blair
 Bonner
 Brown, Allegh.
 Burden
 Cooper
 Cummin
 Denny
 Dorrance

Mr. Duncan
 Dunlap
 W. Forster
 W. B. Foster
 Kerr
 Lauman
 Lawson
 Lehman
 M'Clure
 M'Sherry
 Patterson
 Pearson
 Pennypacker

Mr. Rankin
 F. Smith
 J. R. C. Smith
 Snyder
 Thompson
 Walker
 Whitlatch
 Wilson
 Wolfersberger
 Wolford
 Woolverton
 Ritner, *Sp'r.*

NAYS.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Fackenthall	Mr. M'Ewen
Aughinbaugh	Farrell	Mathews, Cam.
Bell, West.	Gebhart	Matts
Bertolet	Good	G. Miller
Bonsall	Harrison	H. Miller
Boyer	Hottenstein	Nicholson
Brown, Lan.	Ihrle	Overholzer
Buyers	James	Rahn
Cope	Kennedy	Ramsey
Dillinger	Knight	P. Stephens
Ellis	M'Bride	Wise
Evans	M'Creery	

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So the question was determined in the affirmative.

The remaining sections were considered and agreed to.

The title was considered and agreed to, being amended so as to read as follows, viz.

"A supplement to an act, entitled An act to confer on certain associations of the citizens of this commonwealth the powers and immunities of corporations or bodies politic in law, passed the 6th day of April, 1791, and for other purposes." And

Ordered, That the bill be prepared for the third reading.

The bill from the Senate, No. 321, entitled "An act to incorporate the borough of Selinsgrove, in Union county, and the town of Berlin, in Somerset county," was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered to be prepared for the third reading.

On motion of Mr. W. Forster,

The rule which prohibits the reading of bills twice on the same day, being in this case dispensed with, the said bill was read the third time and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate, and request their concurrence in the amendments thereto by this House.

Agreeably to leave given,

The House again resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Beatty in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 509, entitled "An act concerning unpatented lands."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the first section of the bill negatived.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the report of the committee of the whole?

A motion was made by Mr. Bonner, to postpone the question, together with the bill, for the present.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Bonner and Mr. McReynolds, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Aughinbaugh	Mr. Dillinger	Mr. Meredith
Becker	Dorrance	H. Miller
G. Bell	Dunlap	Overholzer
Bell, Leb.	Eldred	Patterson
Bertolet	Evans	Pennypacker
Bonner	Farrell	Rahn
Boyer	Good	F. Smith
Brown, Lam	Haines	Thompson
Burden	Hottenstein	Tutwiler
Buyers	Ihrle	Walker
Cooper	Kennedy	Wolfsberger
Cope	M'Bride	Wolford
Cummin	M'Sherry	Woolverton 39

NAYS.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Harrison	Mr. Nicholson
Beatty	James	Pearson
Bell, West.	Kerr	Ramsey
Binder	Lauman	Rankin
Blair	Lawson	Ringland
Bonsall	Lehman	Scudder
Brown, Allegh.	M'Clure	Shannon
Cunningham	M'Creery	J. R. C. Smith
Denny	M'Ewen	P. Stephens
Duncan	M'Reynolds	Thomas
Ellis	Madden	Whitlatch
Fackenthall	Matheys, Mont.	Wilson
W. Forster	Mathewson	Wise
W. B. Foster	Matts	Ritner, Sp'r.
Gebhart		45

So the question was determined in the negative.

And the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the report of the committee of the whole?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Bonner and Mr. G. Miller, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Duncan	Mr. Lauman
Beatty	Ellis	Lawson
G. Bell	Fackenthall	Lehman
Bell, West.	W. Forster	M'Clure
Binder	W. B. Foster	M'Creery
Bonsall	Harrison	M'Ewen
Brown, Allegh.	Hergesheimer	M'Reynolds
Cope	Kerr	Madden
Denny	Knight	Matheys, Mont.

YEAS.

Mr. Mathewson
Matts
Meredith
Nicholson
Pearson
Petrikin
Ramsey

Mr. Rankin
Ringland
Scudder
Shannon
J. R. C. Smith
P. Stephens

Mr. Thomas
Whitlatch
Wilson
Wise
Woolverton
Ritner, *Sp'r.*

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NAYS.

Mr. Aughinbaugh
Becker
Bell, Leb.
Bertolet
Blair
Bonner
Boyer
Brown, Lan.
Buyers
Cooper
Cummin
Dillinger

Mr. Dorrance
Dunlap
Eldred
Evans
Gebhart
Good
Haines
Hottenstein
Ihrrie
James
Kennedy
M'Sherry

Mr. Mathews, Cam.
G. Miller
J. Miller
Overholzer
Patterson
Pennypacker
F. Smith
Thompson
Tutwiler
Walker
Wolfersberger
Wolford

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So the question was determined in the affirmative.

Adjourned until 3 o'clock this afternoon.

SAME DAY.

Agreeably to the order of the day,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Aughinbaugh in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 565, entitled "An act relative to laying out state roads."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the first section of the bill negatived.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the report of the committee of the whole?

It was determined in the affirmative.

On motion of Mr. W. Forster,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Thomas in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 299, entitled "An act to establish an academy in the town of Mifflinburg, in the county of Union."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with one amendment.

And, on motion,

The said bill was read the second time, considered and agreed to, and

Ordered, That the bill be prepared for the third reading, the title being amended by adding thereto 'and for other purposes.'

On motion of Mr. W. Forster,

The rule which prohibits the reading of bills twice on the same day being in this case dispensed with, the said bill was read the third time and passed, and

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate, and request their concurrence in the amendment thereto by this House.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole. Mr. H. Miller in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 322, entitled "An act for the relief of Metal township, Franklin county."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with one amendment.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole. Mr. Wilson in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 323, entitled "An act to incorporate the towns of Jefferson and Hamilton, in Greene county, into a borough."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with one amendment.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, returned the bills entitled as follow, viz.

No. 470, "An act appropriating a sum of money to open a state road through part of Fayette county."

No. 226, "An act authorising the Secretary of the Land Office to issue patents to Archippus Parrish, John Stanley and others, for certain lands in the county of Susquehanna."

No. 133, "An act concerning the backing or endorsing warrants by justices of the peace."

No. 424, "An act for the relief of sundry soldiers and widows of soldiers of the revolutionary war."

And informed,

That the Senate have passed said bills, the first without and the three latter with amendments, in which the concurrence of the House of Representatives is requested.

The amendments by the Senate to the bill No. 226, were read.

And being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. P. Stephens, to amend the same by inserting after 'John Graham,' 'and others,' and by striking therefrom 'nine,' and inserting in lieu thereof 'their.'

Which was agreed to.

When a motion was by Mr. M'Sherry, further to amend the amendments by striking therefrom 'warrants of acceptance and.'

Which was agreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Meredith, that the further consideration of the said amendments be postponed until to-morrow.

Which was agreed to.

The amendments by the Senate to the bill No. 153, were read.

And being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. F. Smith, to amend the same by striking therefrom these words, viz. 'upon proof being made upon oath or affirmation, of the hand writing of the alderman, justice or justices granting such warrant.'

Which was agreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Meredith, further to amend the amendments by striking therefrom the following words, viz. 'the recognizance of bail and all other proceedings relating to the said offender and offence, before him had, to the constable or other person or persons so apprehending such offender as aforesaid, who is and are hereby required to receive the same, and to deliver over,' and inserting in lieu thereof 'or transmit'; and by striking from the amendments the following words, viz. "and in case such constable or other person to whom such recognizance or other proceeding shall be so delivered, as aforesaid, shall refuse or neglect to deliver over the same to the clerk of such court as aforesaid, when the offender is required to appear by virtue of such recognizance, such constable or other person shall forfeit thirty dollars, to be recovered against him with costs, by action of debt, bill, plaint or information, in any court of record having cognizance thereof, by any person or persons who will prosecute or sue for the same."

And on the question,

Will the House agree so to amend the amendments?

It was determined in the affirmative.

And the amendments as amended were concurred in. And Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate of the same.

The amendments by the Senate to the bill No. 424, were read, considered and considered and concurred in. And

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate of the same.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Wolfersberger in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 350, entitled "An act to authorise the trustees of Nancy Wharton, to sell and convey certain property."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill without amendment.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Good in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 359, entitled "An act to enable the Governor to incorporate a company for making an artificial road from the borough of Mercer, in the county of Mercer, through Greenville, to the line of the state of

Ohio, at William Mossman's, in a direction to the town of Kinsman, in the county of Trumbull, in the state of Ohio."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill without amendment.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Denny in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 364, entitled "A supplement to the act, entitled An act for the relief of Samuel Richards and Moses M'Cormick, and to authorise Daniel Beckly and others to convey a lot of ground."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill without amendment.

And, on motion,

The said bill was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered to be prepared for the third reading.

On motion of Mr. Thompson,

The rule which prohibits the reading of bills twice on the same day, being in this case dispensed with, the said bill was read the third time and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Dunlap in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 365, entitled "An act to incorporate the Union Academy at Doylestown."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with amendments.

Adjourned until half past 7 o'clock this evening.

IN THE EVENING.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Bertolet in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 366, entitled "A further supplement to the act, entitled An act for holding special courts of common pleas."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with amendments.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Boyer in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 383, entitled "An act to extend the boundaries of Union county."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill without amendment.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Scudder in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 334, entitled "An act for the relief of William Alexander, late a supervisor of Spring township, in the county of Centre."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill without amendment. And

On motion,

The said bill was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered to be prepared for the third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Bell of Lebanon in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 385, entitled "An act for the relief of the sureties of William Hamilton, deceased."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill without amendment. And

On motion,

The said bill was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered to be prepared for the third reading.

On motion of Mr. Overholzer,

The rule which prohibits the reading of bills twice on the same day, being in this case dispensed with, the said bill was read the third time and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Rankin in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 394, entitled "An act for the relief of John Newman, a deaf and dumb person."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill without amendment. And

On motion,

The said bill was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered to be prepared for the third reading.

On motion of Mr. Pearson,

The rule which prohibits the reading of bills twice on the same day, being in this case dispensed with, the said bill was read the third time and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Wolford in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 395, entitled "An act to repeal part of an act passed March 15, 1826, authorising James Bell and Evan Thomas to build a bridge over Smithfield creek, in Northampton county."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill without amendment. And

On motion,

The said bill was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered to be prepared for the third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Bonner in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 396, entitled "An act for the relief of Charles Mitman, a soldier of the revolution."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with amendments. And

On motion,

The said bill was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered to be prepared for the third reading, the title being amended by inserting "Samuel Beatty."

On motion of Mr. M'Creery,

The rule which prohibits the reading of bills twice on the same day, being in this case dispensed with, the said bill was read the third time and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate and request their concurrence in the amendments thereto by this House.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. J. Stevens in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 401, entitled "An act authorising the Governor to incorporate the Allegheny and Conewango canal company."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with amendments.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Burden in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 415, entitled "A supplement to the act, entitled An act to incorporate the Lehigh coal and navigation company, passed 13th February, 1822."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill without amendment. And

On motion,

The said bill was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered to be prepared for the third reading.

On motion of Mr. Meredith,

The rule which prohibits the reading of bills twice on the same

day, being in this case dispensed with, the said bill was read the third time and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Shannon in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 416, entitled "An act to enable Abraham Sebolt, surviving trustee, to sell a certain Methodist meeting house in Jonestown, Lebanon county."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill without amendment. And

On motion,

The said bill was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered to be prepared for the the third reading.

On motion of Mr. Bell of Lebanon,

The rule which prohibits the reading of bills twice on the same day, being in this case dispensed with, the said bill was read the third time and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. J. R. C. Smith in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 428, entitled "A supplement to an act, entitled An act for the promotion of agriculture and domestic manufactures."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with amendments. And

On motion,

The said bill was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered to be prepared for the third reading.

On motion of Mr. M'Creery,

The rule which prohibits the reading of bills twice on the same day, being in this case dispensed with, the said bill was read the third time and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate, and request their concurrence in the amendments thereto by this House.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Becker in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 444, entitled "An act for the relief of Elizabeth Bison, widow of Charles Bison, a soldier of the revolution."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill without amendment. And

On motion,

The said bill was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered to be prepared for the third reading.

On motion of Mr. M'Creery,

The rule which prohibits the reading of bills twice on the same day being in this case dispensed with, the said bill was read the third time and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Thrie in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 445, entitled "An act to incorporate the town of Mifflinburg, in Union county."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with amendments.

Adjourned until 8 o'clock to-morrow morning.

WEDNESDAY, April 11, 1827.

The Secretary of the Commonwealth being introduced, presented a message from the Governor, which was read as follows, viz.

To the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

GENTLEMEN,

I have this day approved and signed the following acts and resolution of the General Assembly, and directed the Secretary of the Commonwealth to return them to the Houses in which they respectively originated, viz.

An act authorising the Dauphin and Susquehanna coal company to make Stony creek, in Dauphin county, a slack water navigation, and supplementary to an act, entitled An act to incorporate the Dauphin and Susquehanna coal company, passed April 5th, 1826

An act to erect the town of Alexandria, in the county of Huntingdon, into a borough.

An act to authorise the commissioners of Dauphin county to establish a public school in the borough of Harrisburg, on the Lancasterian system.

An act to incorporate the Oxford rail road company of Chester county.

An act authorising a re-examination and settlement of the accounts of Joseph M'Cullough, a supervisor in Jefferson county.

An act for the relief of William Arnold, late a supervisor of Luzerne township, in the county of Fayette, and for other purposes.

An act directing the commissioners of Venango county to raise a sum of money, to extinguish a debt due the county of Warren.

A supplement to the several acts for the inspection of staves and heading.

An act to establish a bank in the county of Lebanon, and for other purposes.

Resolution relative to the services of Governor Carroll during the late war.

J. ANDW. SHULZE.

Harrisburg, April 11, 1827.

Laid on the table.

The Speaker laid before the House a letter (No. 292) from the Auditor General, accompanied with sundry documents, (No. 293,) relative to the claim of the heirs of John Nicholson, deceased.

Which were read, and referred to Messrs. F. Smith, Wise and Ellis.

Mr. Good presented three petitions from sundry inhabitants of Berks county, praying for an appropriation in aid of the erection of a bridge over the river Schuylkill, at Hamburg.

Which were

Laid on the table.

A motion was made by Mr. M'Reynolds, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That the committee to whom were referred, on the 26th February last, the letter of the President of the Lehigh coal and navigation company, together with the documents accompanying the same, and also the report of the Easton and Northampton banks, be and they are hereby required to make report to this House. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

On motion of Mr. Harrison,

Ordered, That the committee of ways and means be discharged from the consideration of the memorial of domestic manufacturers presented 20th February last.

On motion of Mr. Petrikin,

Ordered, That the committee to whom was referred, on the 26th February last, the letter of the president of the Lehigh coal and navigation company, have leave to sit during the session of the House.

On motion of Mr. W. B. Foster,

Ordered, That the committee to whom was referred on the 15th January last, the petition of the creditors of the Washington and Pittsburg turnpike road company, be discharged from the further consideration of the same.

On motion of Mr. Cunningham,

Ordered, That the committee to whom was referred, on the 8th March last, a petition from Mercer county, relative to county rates and levies, be discharged from the further consideration of the same.

Mr. M'Ewen obtained leave of absence for the remainder of the session.

Mr. M'Reynolds obtained leave to withdraw the petition and documents of Alida M. Wattles.

On motion of Mr. Petrikin,

Ordered, That the committee to whom were referred, on the 26th February last, the reports relative to the Lehigh coal and navigation company, have leave to sit during the session of the House.

The bills from the Senate entitled as follow were severally read the third time and passed, viz.

No. 395, "An act to repeal part of an act, passed March 15, 1826, authorising James Bell and Evan Thomas to build a bridge over Smithfield creek, in Northampton county."

No. 515, "A further supplement to the act, entitled An act for the regulation of the militia of this commonwealth." And

Ordered, That the Clerk return the said bills to the Senate and request their concurrence in the amendments thereto by this House.

The bill from the Senate, No. 584, entitled "An act for the relief of William Alexander, late a supervisor of Springtownship, in the county of Centre," was read the third time, and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate.

The bill from the Senate, No. 280, entitled "An act incorporating the Theological Seminary of the General Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran church in the United States," was read the third time.

And on the question,

Shall the same pass?

A motion was made by Mr. Binder, to postpone the question, together with the bill, until to-morrow.

Which was agreed to.

The House resumed the consideration of the amendments by the Senate to the bill No. 226, entitled "An act authorising the Secretary of the land office to issue patents to Archippus Parrish, John Stanley and others, for certain lands in the county of Susquehanna."

And the question recurring,

Will the House concur in the amendments?

It was determined in the negative.

A motion was then made by Mr. Meredith, that the House non-concur in the amendments, and that a committee be appointed to confer with a similar committee of the Senate, on the subject of the said amendments.

Which was agreed to. And

Ordered, That Messrs. Meredith, Wise and Boyer be of the committee, and that the Clerk inform the Senate of the same.

The bill from the Senate, No. 322, entitled "An act for the relief of Metal township, Franklin county," was read the second time.

And the 1st section was considered and disagreed to.

The 2d section was considered and agreed to.

The title was considered and agreed to, being amended so as to read as follows, viz.

"An act to repeal part of an act for the relief of sundry supervisors, passed 10th of April, 1826." And

Ordered, That the bill be prepared for the third reading.

On motion of Mr. Rankin,

The rule which prohibits the reading of bills twice on the same day, being in this case dispensed with, the said bill was read the third time, and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate, and request their concurrence in the amendments thereto by this House.

The bill from the Senate, No. 323, entitled "An act to incorporate the towns of Jefferson and Hamilton, in Greene county, into a borough," was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered to be prepared for the third reading.

On motion of Mr. McCreery,

The rule which prohibits the reading of bills twice on the same day, being in this case dispensed with, the said bill was read the third time and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate, and request their concurrence in the amendments thereto by this House.

The bill from the Senate, No. 350, entitled "An act to authorise the trustees of Nancy Wharton to sell and convey certain property," was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered to be prepared for the third reading.

On motion of Mr. Meredith,

The rule which prohibits the reading of bills twice on the same day, being in this case dispensed with, the said bill was read the third time and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Eldred,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Duncan in the chair, on the resolution from the Senate, No. 510, recommending to county commissioners to furnish children, educated at the public expense, with Rogers' Biographical Dictionary.

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the resolution without amendment. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the same?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Kerr and Mr. Scudder, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Dorrance	Mr. M'Reynolds
Beatty	Duncan	Madden
G. Bell	Eldred	Mathewson
Bell Leb.	Fackenthall	J. Miller
Bell, West.	W. Forster	Pearson
Binder	Good	Rahn
Bonsall	Harrison	Rankin
Boyer	Ihrle	Ringland
Brown, Allegh.	Kennedy	F. Smith
Burden	Krepps	Snyder
Cummin	Lawson	Walker
Cunningham	Lehman	Woolverton
Denny	M'Creery	Ritner, Sp'r. 39

NAYS.

Mr. Aughinbaugh	Mr. Kerr	Mr. Overholzer
Becker	Lauman	Patterson
Bertolet	M'Bride	Pennypacker
Blair	M'Clure	Ramsey
Bonner	M'Sherry	Scudder
Brown, Lan.	Mathews, Cam.	Shannon
Cooper	Matheys, Mont.	J. R. C. Smith
Cope	Matts	Thompson
Dillinger	Meredith	Whitlatch
Evans	G. Miller	Wilson
Hottenstein	H. Miller	Wolfersberger 35
James	Nicholson	

So the question was determined in the affirmative.

The preamble was considered and agreed to. And

Ordered, That the Clerk return the resolution to the Senate.

The bill from the Senate, No. 359, entitled "An act to enable the Governor to incorporate a company for making an artificial road from the borough of Mercer, in the county of Mercer, through Greenville, to the line of the state of Ohio, at William Mossman's, in a direction to the town of Kinsman, in the county of Trumbull, in the state of Ohio," was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered to be prepared for the third reading, the title being amended by adding thereto 'and for other purposes.'

On motion of Mr. Lawson,

The rule which prohibits the reading of bills twice on the same day, being in this case dispensed with, the said bill was read the third time and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate, and request their concurrence in the amendments thereto by this House.

The bill from the Senate, No 365, entitled "An act to incorporate the Union academy at Doylestown," was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered to be prepared for the third reading.

On motion of Mr. Harrison,

The rule which prohibits the reading of bills twice on the same day, being in this case dispensed with, the said bill was read the third time and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate, and request their concurrence in the amendments thereto by this House.

The bill from the Senate, 366, entitled "A further supplement to the act, entitled An act for holding special courts of common pleas," was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered to be prepared for the third reading.

On motion of Mr. J. Miller,

The rule which prohibits the reading of bills twice on the same day, being in this case dispensed with, the said bill was read the third time and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate, and request their concurrence in the amendments thereto by this House.

The bill from the Senate, No. 383, entitled "An act to extend the boundaries of Union county," was read the second time.

And being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Cummin, to postpone the further consideration of the same indefinitely.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the indefinite postponement?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Cummin and Mr. Patterson, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Aughinbaugh	Mr. Dillinger	Mr. Matheys, Mont.
Beatty	Dorrance	G. Miller
G Bell	Duncan	H. Miller
Binder	Dunlap	J. Miller
Blair	W. B. Foster	Patterson
Bonner	Hottenstein	Ramsey
Brown, Allegh.	Lauman	Rankin
Brown, Lan.	Lawson	J. R. C. Smith
Buyers	Lehman	Snyder
Cope	M'Clure	Walker
Cummin	M'Creery	Wilson
Denny	Mathews, Cam.	Woolverton 36

MAYES.

Mr. Atkinson
Becker
Bell, West.
Bertolet
Boyer
Cooper
Ellis
Evans
Fackenthall
Farrell
W. Forster
Harrison

Mr. Ihrie
James
Kennedy
Kerr
Krepps
M'Bride
M'Sherry
Madden
Matts
Meredith
Nicholson
Pearson

Mr. Pennypacker
Ringland
Scudder
Shannon
P. Stephens
Thompson
Whitlatch
Wise
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Ritner, Sp'r.

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So the question was determined in the affirmative.

The bill from the Senate, No. 401, entitled "An act authorising the Governor to incorporate the Allegheny and Conewango canal company," was read the second time.

When a motion was made by Mr. Lawson, to amend the 9th section, in the 9th line, by inserting after 'canal,' these words, 'except French creek and its branches.'

Which was agreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Lawson, further to amend the section by striking therefrom these words, viz.

Provided always, that no dam shall be erected in the river Allegheny: and provided also, that no obstruction be placed in said river, which will in any wise impede the navigation of the same, and inserting in lieu thereof these words,

Provided that if it shall be necessary, in order to construct the said canal, to obstruct the natural channel of the Allegheny river or Conewango creek, or any of their navigable branches, the said Allegheny and Conewango canal company shall cause a means of navigation to be made equally safe and practicable as now exists in said streams, or any of their navigable branches.

Which was agreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Brown of Allegheny, to amend the 6th section by inserting after 'places,' in the 2d line, 'in this commonwealth.'

Which was agreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Lawson, to amend the 13th section, by inserting after 'toll,' in the 5th line, 'or otherwise'; and by inserting after 'canal,' 'a sum not exceeding'; and by inserting after 'annum,' 'after paying all expenses and necessary repairs.'

Which was agreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Lawsop, further to amend the 13th section by striking therefrom these words, "sufficient to assure the payment of the said 12 per centum per annum: *Provided*, that if at any time hereafter, the tolls should enable the company, after paying all repairs and other necessary expenses, to divide more than twelve per centum per annum on the capital stock ex-

pendent, then and in such case the tolls shall be so reduced that the dividends shall not exceed the said sum of twelve per centum per annum."

Which was agreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Lawson, to amend the 25th section by inserting after 'parts,' in the 18th line, these words, 'and it shall be the duty of the president of the said company, annually thereafter, to make report under oath or affirmation, to the legislature of this commonwealth, containing a statement of the receipts and expenditures of the said company, together with the rate per cent. of the dividends which have been declared and paid.'

Which was agreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Lehman, to amend the 21st section by adding thereto these words, 'and the legislature shall at all times have the right to inspect the books and accounts of the company by agents or otherwise.'

Which was agreed to.

And the bill as amended was agreed to.

The title was considered and agreed to. And

Ordered, That the bill be prepared for the third reading.

The bill from the Senate, No. 445, entitled "An act to incorporate the town of Mifflinburg, in Union county," was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered to be prepared for the third reading.

On motion of Mr. W. Forster, the rule which prohibits the reading of bills twice on the same day, being in this case dispensed with, the said bill was read the third time and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate, and request their concurrence in the amendments thereto by this House.

Agreeably to the order of the day,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Cunningham in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 573, entitled "A further supplement to an act, entitled An act to appoint a board of canal commissioners."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Leave was granted, and

Ordered, That the committee of the whole sit again on Friday, the 13th inst.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Atkinson in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 450, entitled "A supplement to the act, entitled An act establishing an academy in the borough of Northampton, in Lehigh county, and granting a sum of money thereto."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill without amendment. And

On motion,

The said bill was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered, To be prepared for the third reading.

On motion of Mr. Dillinger, the rule which prohibits the reading of bills twice on the same day, being in this case dispensed with, the said bill was read the third time and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate for concurrence.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, returned the bills entitled as follow, viz.

No. 11, "An act for the relief of Joseph H. Fennemore."

No. 88, "An act to declare the uses of certain bonds."

No. 150, "An act to erect the town of Elizabethtown, in the county of Lancaster, into a borough, and supplementary to the acts incorporating the towns of Williamsport and Jersey Shore, and for other purposes."

No. 227, "An act granting a sum of money in aid of opening and improving a certain state road therein mentioned."

No. 471, "An act for the relief of the heirs of Blisha Mathewson."

And informed,

That the Senate have passed said bills with amendments, in which the concurrence of the House of Representatives is requested.

The amendments by the Senate to the said bills were read, considered and concurred in. And

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate of the same.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Pennypacker in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 452, entitled "An act to authorise the Governor to incorporate the Shippenville and Foxburg turnpike road company."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill without amendment. And

On motion,

The said bill was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered to be prepared for the third reading.

On motion of Mr. Atkinson,

The rule which prohibits the reading of bills twice on the same day, being in this case dispensed with, the said bill was read the third time and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Agnew in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 467, entitled "An act to authorise Stogdell Stokes to erect a bridge over Broadhead's creek, in Northampton county."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill without amendment. And

On motion,

The said bill was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered to be prepared for the third reading.

On motion of Mr. Ihrie,

The rule which prohibits the reading of bills twice on the same day, being in this case dispensed with, the said bill was read the third time and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Lauman in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 468, entitled "An act to revoke the charter of the Northern Bank of Pennsylvania."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill without amendment. And

On motion,

The said bill was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered to be prepared for the third reading.

On motion of Mr. P. Stephens,

The rule which prohibits the reading of bills twice on the same day, being in this case dispensed with, the said bill was read the third time and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate.

Adjourned until 3 o'clock this afternoon

SAME DAY.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Whitlatch in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 473, entitled "An act authorising the administrators of Peter Anthony, to sell and convey certain real estate, and for other purposes."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with one amendment.

And, on motion,

The said bill was read the second time, considered -

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Ordered to be prepared for the third reading -

amended by striking therefrom 'and for oth'

On motion of Mr. Ihrie,

The rule which prohibits the reading of bills twice on the same day, being in this case dispensed with, the said bill was read the third time and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate, and request their concurrence in the amendments thereto by the House.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, returned the bill No. 149, entitled "An act to annul the marriage contracts of Samuel Weston and Julia Ann his wife, and George Foreaker and Rebecca his wife."

And informed,

That the Senate have passed said bill with amendments, in which the concurrence of the House of Representatives is requested.

The amendments by the Senate to the said bill were read, considered and concurred in. And

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate of the same.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Dillinger in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 474, entitled "An act to enable Rosina Jacoby to convey certain real estate and for other purposes."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill without amendment. And

On motion,

The said bill was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered to be prepared for the third reading.

(On motion of Mr. Ihrie,

The rule which prohibits the reading of bills twice on the same day, being in this case dispensed with, the said bill was read the third time and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate.

Mr. Petrikin, from the committee appointed on the subject, made a report, (No. 294,) relative to the Lehigh coal and navigation company, accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That the committee be discharged from the further consideration of the subject, and that it be recommended to the especial attention of the next Legislature. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time.

And being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Ellis, to amend the same by adding thereto these words, "with a view to determine upon the propriety of directing a judicial inquiry into the operations of the said company, whether or not the issuing of checks by them, as stated in the annexed report, is not a violation of their chartered privileges."

Which was agreed to.

And the resolution as amended was adopted.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Overholzer in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 430, entitled "An act to incorporate the rector, church wardens and vestrymen of the Episcopal church of St. Paul's, in Beaver county."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill without amendment. And

On motion,

The said bill was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered to be prepared for the third reading.

On motion of Mr. Shannon,

The rule which prohibits the reading of bills twice on the same day, being in this case dispensed with, the said bill was read the third time and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Brown of Lancaster in the chair, on the bill No. 483, entitled "An act granting aid to Allegheny college, in Crawford county."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill without amendment. And

On motion,

The said bill was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered to be prepared for the third reading.

On motion of Mr. Atkinson,

The rule which prohibits the reading of bills twice on the same day, being in this case dispensed with, the said bill was read the third time and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Snyder in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 484, entitled "A supplement to an act, entitled An act to erect the town of Indiana, in the county of Indiana, into a borough."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with one amendment. And

On motion,

The said bill was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered to be prepared for the third reading, the title being amended by adding the following words, viz. "and for other purposes."

On motion of Mr. Lawson,

The rule which prohibits the reading of bills twice on the same day being in this case dispensed with, the said bill was read the third time and passed, and

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate, and request their concurrence in the amendments thereto by this House.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Ramsey in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 485, entitled "An act for the relief of Patrick Dickson and James Ryley, soldiers of the revolution."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill without amendment. And,

On motion,

The said bill was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered, That the bill be prepared for the third reading.

On motion of Mr. M'Creery, the rule which prohibits the reading of bills twice on the same day being in this case dispensed with, the said bill was read the third time, and passed, and

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. M'Sherry in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 486, entitled "An act to repeal the 8th, 9th and 10th sections of an act authorising the sale and conveyance of certain real estate, and for other purposes, passed March 31st, 1825."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill without amendment. And

On motion,

The said bill was read the second time.

When a motion was made by Mr. Burden, to amend the section by adding thereto these words, viz.

"Together with so much of the tenth and eleventh sections of the act, entitled An act to alter and amend the fee bill, passed the 22d February, 1821, as affects the Alderman justices and constables of the city and county of Philadelphia."

Which was disagreed to.

And the bill was agreed to. And

Ordered, To be prepared for the third reading.

On motion of Mr. Ramsey, the rule which prohibits the reading of bills twice on the same day being in this case dispensed with, the said bill was read the third time and passed. and

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Pearson in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 488, entitled

led "A supplement to the act, entitled "An act authorising a review of certain state roads."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill without amendment. And,

On motion,

The said bill was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered, To be prepared for the third reading.

On motion of Mr. Lawson, the rule which prohibits the reading of bills twice on the same day, being in this case dispensed with, the said bill was read the third time, and passed, and

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, informed, that the Senate have concurred in the amendments by the House of Representatives to the bills entitled as follow, viz.

No. 473, "An act authorising the administrators of Peter Anthony to sell and convey certain real estate and for other purposes."

428, "A supplement to an act, entitled "An act for the promotion of agriculture and domestic manufactures."

323, "An act to incorporate the towns of Jefferson and Hamilton, in Greene county."

366, "A further supplement to the act entitled "An act for holding special courts of common pleas."

299, "An act to establish an academy in the town of Mifflinburg, in the county of Union."

321, "An act to incorporate the borough of Selinsgrove, in Union county, and the town of Berlin, in the county of Somerset."

365, "An act to incorporate the Union academy at Doylestown."

445, "An act to incorporate the town of Mifflinburg, in Union county."

395, "An act to repeal part of an act, passed March 15, 1826, authorising James Bell and Evan Thomas to build a bridge over Smithfield creek, in Northampton county."

396, "An act for the relief of Charles Mitman, a soldier of the revolution."

535, "An act to authorize the trustees of a public school in Douglass township, Berks county, to sell certain real estate."

And further informed,

That the Senate have appointed Messrs. Kerlin, King and Hawkins, a committee to confer with a similar committee of the House of Representatives, (already appointed,) on the amendments by the Senate to the bill from the House of Representatives, non-concurred in by that House, No. 269, entitled "An act authorising the Secretary of the land office to issue patents to Archippus Parrish, John Stanley and others, for certain lands in the county of Susquehanna."

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Evans in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 497, entitled

"An act appropriating a sum of money to the erection of a bridge over the Yellow breeches creek."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill without amendment.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Farrell in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 498, entitled "An act to authorise the committee of the estate of Charles Willing Hare to sell and convey real estate."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill without amendment. And

On motion,

The said bill was read the second time, considered and agreed to. and

Ordered, To be prepared for the third reading.

On motion of Mr. Meredith, the rule which prohibits the reading of bills twice on the same day, being in this case dispensed with, the said bill was read the third time and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate.

Adjourned until 8 o'clock to morrow morning.



THURSDAY, April 12, 1827.

Mr. Agnew obtained leave of absence from to-morrow, for the remainder of the session.

Mr. Blair obtained leave of absence from Saturday next, for the remainder of the session.

Mr. Scudder obtained leave of absence from Monday next, for the remainder of the session.

Mr. Harrison, from the committee of ways and means, made a report, (No. 295,) relative to retailers of foreign merchandize, accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That they be discharged from any further consideration of the subject, and that it be recommended to the attention of the next Legislature. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

Mr. F. Smith, from the committee to whom was, on yesterday, referred the letter from the Auditor General, reported the following resolution,

Resolved, by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, That the Auditor General be and he is hereby authorised and directed to employ one or more counsel to manage and conduct the case above mentioned on the part of this commonwealth.

And on motion of Mr. F. Smith, the rule which requires that joint resolutions lie on the table one day, being in this case dispensed with,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. W. B. Foster in the chair, on the said resolution.

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the resolution without amendment. And,

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted. And

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

A motion was made by Mr. Wise, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives, That the rule of the two Houses which prohibits the transmission or reception of bills or resolutions within eight days previous to the adjournment, be dispensed with so far as relates to the resolution relative to the case of the heirs of John Nicholson. And,

On motion,

The rule which requires joint resolutions to lie on the table one day, and the rule for going into a committee of the whole, being in this case dispensed with, the said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted. And

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate of the same.

Mr. Dillinger, from the committee appointed to compare bills and present them to the Governor for his approbation, made report, which was read as follows, viz.

That in conjunction with a similar committee from the Senate, they have compared and on this day presented to the Governor for his approbation, the bills entitled as follow, to wit:

An act concerning agencies of insurance companies not authorised by the laws of this state established within this commonwealth.

A supplement to an act, entitled an act authorising the Governor to incorporate the York water company, passed the 8th day of February one thousand eight hundred and sixteen.

An act appropriating a sum of money to open a state road through part of Fayette county.

An act to incorporate the Philadelphia rail way dock company.

An act for the relief of William Alexander, late a supervisor of Spring township, in the county of Centre.

An act for the relief of the sureties of William Alexander, deceased.

A supplement to the act, entitled An act for the relief of Samuel Richards and Moses M'Cormick, and to authorise Daniel Beckley and others to convey a lot of ground.

An act to enable Abraham Sebolt, surviving trustee, to sell a certain Methodist meeting house in Jonestown, Lebanon county.

An act to annul the marriage contract of Samuel Weston and Julia Ann his wife.

An act to declare the uses of certain bonds.

An act for the relief of Elizabeth Bison, widow of Charles Bison, a soldier of the revolution.

An act to authorise the trustees of Nancy Wharton to sell and convey certain property.

A supplement to the act, entitled An act to incorporate the Lehigh coal and navigation company, passed the thirteenth February, one thousand eight hundred and twenty-two.

A supplement to the act, entitled An act establishing an academy in the borough of Northampton, in Lehigh county, and granting a sum of money thereto.

An act to authorise Stogdell Stokes to erect a bridge over Broadhead's creek, in Northampton county.

An act for the relief of John Newman, a deaf and dumb person.

An act to enable Rosina Jacoby to convey certain real estate, and for other purposes.

An act to authorise the Governor to incorporate the Shippenville and Foxburg turnpike road company.

An act for the relief of sundry soldiers and widows of soldiers of the revolutionary war.

An act to revoke the charter of the Northern bank of Pennsylvania.

An act for the relief of Joseph H. Fennemore and Bartholomew Graves.

An act to erect the town of Elizabethtown, in the county of Lancaster, into a borough, and supplementary to the acts incorporating the towns of Williamsport and Jersey Shore, and the district of Southwark, and for other purposes.

An act to incorporate the borough of Selinsgrove, in Union county, and the town of Berlin, in the county of Somerset.

An act granting a sum of money to aid in opening and improving a certain state road therein mentioned.

Resolution recommending to county commissioners to furnish children, educated at the public expense, with Rogers' Biographical Dictionary.

Laid on the table.

Mr. Haines read in his place the following, viz.

The undersigned, a member of the committee to whom were referred the petition and documents relative to the claim of the heirs of Elisha Mathewson, submits the following:

That after deliberately examining the laws, as well as the testimony relating to this case, he has thought it proper to lay the following statement before the House:

It is not considered necessary to a fair understanding of this case, to revert to the unhappy controversy between the states of Connecticut and Pennsylvania, concerning their respective territorial boundaries, further than to remark, that the congress of the United States, alarmed at the consequences which might result from a dispute of so serious a nature, between two powerful states, at the commencement of the war for independence, recommended that "all acts of force should be abstained from, and each person should remain in possession of the land occupied by him, until a proper season should arise for determining the matter on principles of justice." This recommendation was substantially complied with, and the Connecticut settlers held possession during the war. In December, 1782, the cause between these states was heard by a court of commissioners appointed under the articles of confederation, and decided in favor of Pennsylvania. Pursuant to this decree, the state of Pennsylvania issued patents for the land lying within her borders; and, among others, in the year 1785 a warrant was issued to Josiah Lockhart, on which there was a regular survey and return for 1038½ acres, including the land now in dispute, and a patent issued thereon the third of April, 1786. Josiah Lockhart continued to hold the title to this land until the year 1798, when he conveyed to Richard Caton, Ashbell Wells and George Wells, in equal undivided parts, for the consideration of sixteen thousand dollars. On the fourteenth of May, 1799, Ashbell Wells conveyed his undivided third part to Richard Caton, thereby giving to Caton two thirds, and the remaining one-third continued to be held by George Wells. On the first day of September, 1802, partition was made between Richard Caton and George Wells, setting off 67 metes and bounds their respective shares or parts; by which allotment the land held by Elisha Mathewson fell to George Wells. About the year 1804, (the precise date not recollected,) George Wells conveyed the land previously allotted to him, to Charles Carroll, of Carrollton; in June, 1811, Charles Carroll of Carrollton conveyed to Robert Troup, agent of the Pulteney estate, and in June, 1814, Robert Troup conveyed to Henry Wells, the present possessor. This is the paper title under which Henry Wells claims to hold the land now in his possession, against the adverse claim of the heirs of Elisha Mathewson. It will be remembered that George Wells, on the conveyance of the land by Josiah Lockhart to Richard Caton, Ashbell Wells and himself, in 1798 removed with his family, and took possession of the land, and continued to reside thereon until 1804, when a mortgage he had previously given to Richard Caton, and by him assigned to Charles Carroll of Carrollton, being put in suit, he was constrained to convey his title to the holder of the said mortgage.

About the year 1786, Elisha Mathewson, the father of the present petitioner, with a number of others, obtained from the Susquehanna company a survey and allotment of the township

of Athens; and under this survey and allotment the said Elisha became possessed of certain lots in said township. That he removed his family thither, and took possession of said lots in the year 1768, and continued to hold the same until his death in 1805. That his widow and family resided on the land, after the death of the said Elisha, until the year 1808, when they were dispossessed by the marshal of the district, under a judgment in ejectment obtained against them by Charles Carroll of Carrollton, who held the Pennsylvania title.

The foregoing facts being undisputed, it may not be improper to examine them unconnected with any others; and by a reference to the different acts of Assembly, applicable to these facts, ascertain the state of the case between the parties.

By the decision of the court of commissioners before alluded to, called the decree of Trenton, the territorial boundaries between the states of Connecticut and Pennsylvania, became settled, and the courts of Pennsylvania from that period considered the title of Connecticut as of no validity either in law or equity except as it was subsequently confirmed by our acts of assembly. This position, which cannot be controverted, incontestably proves that the Susquehanna company had no authority to assign and locate any land within the limits of Pennsylvania subsequently to that decree; and in doing so, invaded the rights of this state, to the manifest injury of those who might accept such location or allotment under it. Hence the survey and allotment of the townships of Athens and Ulster, by the Susquehanna company in 1786, being a direct violation of the principles established by the decree of Trenton, and asserted to by the states respectively, and an infringement of the chartered privileges of the state of Pennsylvania, could give no title to Elisha Mathewson, to the land on which he settled, although it had been vacant and unpatented; and consequently could not divest the title of Josiah Lockart, derived from the commonwealth one year previous to the allotment to Mathewson.

The origin of the contending titles being thus distinctly known, let us inquire whether any thing has been done by either party, or by the state, to change the character of the titles or the situation of the parties.

After the decree of Trenton, the Pennsylvania claimants, feeling themselves secure in their titles against any claims made by Connecticut settlers, proceeded against that misguided people with a severity that produced a violent resistance on the part, and occasioned riot and bloodshed in various instances. This severity induced the legislature to pass the act of March 28, 1787, called the confirming act, by which it was decided that "all the rights or lots now lying within the county of Ulster, which were occupied or acquired by Connecticut claimants, who were actually settlers there at or before the termination of the claims of the state of Connecticut, by the decree

aforsaid, and which rights or lots were particularly assigned to the said settlers, prior to the said decree, agreeably to the regulations then in force among them, be and they are hereby confirmed to them and their heirs and assigns." Under this act it is hardly necessary to observe, that Elisha Mathewson could derive no title, as it required that the rights or lots should be particularly assigned to the said settlers, prior to the decree of Trenton, and as the allotment to him was made four years after that decree. If, however, he had been entitled to any thing by virtue of this act upon its passage, he would have returned to his former situation by the subsequent act of April 1, 1790, which declared the act of 1787 "unconstitutional and of the most dangerous consequence;" and the opinion of the legislature thus expressed, was confirmed by the circuit of the United States, in the year 1795. It may be further observed, that the act was obnoxious to both parties, and the commissioners appointed to carry its provisions into effect, were interrupted in the progress of their labors, and obliged to seek safety by relinquishing their attempt, and flying for the preservation of their lives. From this period nothing was done that could affect the controverted claims of the Connecticut settlers, until the 4th of April, 1799, when an act was passed, entitled "An act offering compensation to the Pennsylvania claimants of certain lands within the seventeen townships, in the county of Luzerne, and for other purposes therein mentioned," authorising certain commissioners therein named to grant certificates to such Connecticut claimants within what was called the seventeen townships, in the county of Luzerne, who were actually settlers there prior to the decree of Trenton, for all the rights or lots in the said seventeen townships which were particularly assigned to the said settlers prior to the said decree, agreeably to the regulations then in force among them; providing, at the same time, that the Pennsylvania claimants released in the manner therein set forth, and withholding the power to grant certificates, in case the Pennsylvania claimants refused to release. This act did not extend to the townships of Athens and Ulster, for although it referred to seventeen townships, it left with the commissioners the necessity of inquiring what rights or lots were particularly assigned prior to the decree of Trenton, and gave them no authority to grant certificates for any which were not so allotted and assigned, occupied or acquired. It cannot be necessary to enter into an argument to prove that the commissioners acted correctly in excepting those townships from the operations of the law, as their report of record must be altogether satisfactory on the subject to any one who will recollect that the Pennsylvania claimants had not released in Athens and Ulster, and that the rights or lots in the said townships were not particularly assigned, occupied or acquired until four years subsequently to the decree of Trenton. The act of April 4, 1799 did not, therefore, change the situation of the parties.

Many other acts were passed, to which it is not deemed necessary to refer, as they do not affect this case, or at least vary the title previously shown to be in Henry Wells by a regular chain of conveyances from the commonwealth; but, by referring to fifteen townships only, instead of seventeen as mentioned in the act of 1799, impliedly at least, gave the legislative sanction to the decision of the commissioners, excluding from the benefits of the act the townships of Athens and Ulster.

In the year 1802 a supplement to the act of 1799 was passed, extending the favor of the state for the benefit of Connecticut claimants further than theretofore, and authorising the commissioners to certify not merely such parts of the tracts of land claimed under the title of the Susquehanna company, as should be released by the Pennsylvania claimant, "but the whole of each tract claimed by a Connecticut claimant, who should establish his title thereto in the manner prescribed by the act of April 4, 1799, *whether released to the commonwealth by the Pennsylvania claimant or not.*" In the year 1807, an act was passed entitled "A further supplement, &c." to the act of April 4, 1799, authorising the commissioners aforementioned to certify to the Connecticut claimants, within the said 15 townships, whether the lands had been occupied by them prior to the decree of Trenton or not. This was an extension of the provisions of the compromising law of 1799, which broke down the limits of construction given to that act by the supreme court of this state, which opened the door to a class of persons who could not otherwise have brought themselves within its provisions, which set at naught the principles established by the decree of Trenton, and legalised the infringements by the Susquehanna company, on the rights and territorial jurisdiction of the state of Pennsylvania. By the act of 1802, the property of the Pennsylvania claimant could be taken from him whether he released or not, and vested in a Connecticut claimant, provided he established his title thereto by allotment and settlement prior to the decree of Trenton; and by the further supplement of 1807, the commissioners were required to certify to Connecticut claimants, whether they derived title prior to said decree or not.

The benefits of these supplements did not extend to the townships of Athens and Ulster, but were confined to the fifteen townships to which the provisions of the act of 1799 extended, and the inhabitants of Athens and Ulster, deriving no advantage from them whatever, they did not vary the rights of these parties, or change the respective titles under which they claim. By an act passed March 28, 1808, entitled "An act making appropriations to defray certain expenses of government," "all powers vested by any law of this commonwealth in the commissioners appointed under an act entitled 'An act offering compensation to Pennsylvania claimants of certain lands within the seventeen townships, in the county of Luzerne, and for other purposes therein mentioned,' passed April

- 4, 1799, and the several supplements thereto, shall be and hereby are suspended, and all proceedings had under the supplement of April 9, 1807, shall be stayed and remain as they shall then be, except as to such Pennsylvania claimants who have released under the said supplement."

Thus did the legislature suspend all the laws from the act of 1799, down to the date of the last mentioned act; and in this situation they continued until March 19, 1810, when the benefits of former laws were extended to the townships of Bedford and Ulster, but excepting therefrom expressly such land as was "held or claimed under a Pennsylvania title, under a patent, location, warrant or settlement, where the Pennsylvania claimant was in the actual possession or occupancy of the land, either by himself or tenant, at the time of passing the act." And here it may be proper to remark, that it is alleged on behalf of the petitioner, that Henry Wells obtained the introduction of this clause for the express purpose of securing himself from the operation of the law, to the exclusion of the Mathewson family alone, who was thereby deprived of the benefits extended to others by its provisions. To acknowledge the truth of this allegation, would be to elevate the character of Henry Wells at the expense of the other members of the legislature of 1810, and to give to him alone the praise which was justly due to the united efforts of that body, in preserving inviolate the sacred principles of the constitution. If the petitioner could have obtained the land in the possession of Henry Wells by the provisions of this law, had he not been prevented by the foregoing clause; then, without such clause would the law have been a direct violation of the constitution, and great praise is due to those who by introducing it saved the statute book from a most dangerous precedent for future legislatures. The landed property of an individual cannot be taken away from him without his consent, unless in cases of state necessity, which could not have arisen in this instance, which never can arise from the little controversies between two individuals about the validity or legality of their titles to land. But the law would have been harmless without the clause, and would not have extended to the benefit of the Mathewson family. Henry Wells was in possession, and no law, not even the act of 1787, which was declared unconstitutional, went so far as to turn the Pennsylvania claimant out of possession, for the purpose of giving possession to a Connecticut claimant without title. The legislature, therefore, by introducing the clause aforesaid, only made declaratory that which was previously implied, and to which such a construction had been given not only by the commissioners, but by the supreme court of this state. Although it was not necessary, it was entirely proper, as every law should leave as little for implication as possible, that the judges of our courts may not have the business of legislation as well as adjudication to perform, through the inattention of the legislature.

It may be further added, that while the undersigned can see no motive except the public good, to influence Henry Wells to act, as is alleged against him, he respectfully submits, that in his opinion, there was not the shadow of proof before the committee to authorise the allegation. Having referred to the different acts of Assembly upon this subject, and applied them to the undisputed facts of the case, he has not been able to discover any law that changes the title to the land, as previously shown to have vested in Henry Wells.

It is further alleged by the petitioner, that the possession of the land was obtained by Henry Wells through artifice and deception. If this charge be true—if, through artifice and fraud, he obtained possession from Mrs. Mathewson, and thereby deprived her of the benefits of the provisions of the act of 1810, undoubtedly he ought not to derive any advantage from such artifice, and the moral duty of the legislature would be to discountenance it so far as it properly could be done by that body. It is a serious charge to be made against any respectable individual, and ought to be made cautiously and with the clearest evidence to support it, or not made at all. The reputation of an individual ought to be as sacred with the legislature as the rights of property; it is equally guarded by the constitution of the state, and is as dear to the citizen as any rights which he holds, either natural or civil, under the government. It was not without some surprise, therefore, that the undersigned found the assertion supported by uncertain testimony, and contradicted not only by verbal evidence, but by the clear deductions of reason from the undisputed acts of the parties. Let us refer to the case. In the year 1807, an action of ejectment was instituted by Charles Carroll against Elizabeth Mathewson, to recover the land in question; the writ was served on the seventeenth of August, and made returnable to October term, of the same year, of circuit court of the United States. During the pendency of this suit, a compromise was effected between E. Mathewson and Henry Wells, of whose interest in the land we shall speak presently, and Mrs. Mathewson gave a deed for all the interest she held in the property. In consideration of this deed Henry Wells agreed to give her the house and lot on which she lived, to obtain the Pennsylvania title for it, and to pay all costs accruing in the ejectment suit against her. At the same time that this compromise was going on between them, there was an arrangement effected between her and Thomas Overton, by which Overton agreed to give her seven hundred dollars for the house and lot, so soon as she was enabled to convey to him the Pennsylvania title for the same. There was no connexion between these two agreements; they stood separately and alone, and were only made to appear connected by Henry Wells agreeing to give the Pennsylvania title to Overton immediately, instead of its passing through the hands of Mrs. Mathewson to him. In order, therefore, that the contract should not be delayed until the Pennsylvania title could be obtained from Mr. Carroll, Henry Wells entered into bond to Thomas Overton, in the pe-

nal sum of eight hundred dollars, for the performance of that part of his agreement, thereby becoming accountable to Overton for the Pennsylvania title, and assuming the responsibility which would otherwise have rested on Mrs. Mathewson. Hence so soon as this bond was executed to Overton, so much of the contract on the part of Henry Wells as related to obtaining the Pennsylvania title for Mrs. Mathewson, was fulfilled, and nothing further was required from him by the agreement between them, except his securing her against the costs of the ejectment suit. On the same day therefore, and at the same time, Henry Wells executed the following instrument, and delivered it to her, as a complete fulfilment of the contract on his part: "Whereas Elizabeth Mathewson, against whom a writ of ejectment was brought by Charles Carroll of Carrollton, and which is now pending in the district court of the United States, for the lands the said Elizabeth was in possession of on Tioga Point, hath *this day given me*, the subscriber, a deed of possession of all her right to the lands in dispute on Tioga Point aforesaid, excepting the House and lot the said Elizabeth now occupies and possesses, I therefore hereby hold myself obligated and bound to indemnify and save her, the said Elizabeth, from all costs that have *or may arise*, in consequence of the aforesaid writ of ejectment brought against her by the said Charles Carroll aforesaid. In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal this eighth day of October, 1807.

Signed

HENRY WELLS, [SEAL.]

In presence of DAVID PAINE."

Thus was the contract or agreement fulfilled on the part of Henry Wells to Mrs. Mathewson; the Pennsylvania title was secured to Overton, and Mrs. Mathewson indemnified against any costs that had arisen, or that might arise in the ejectment suit against her. Where then was the necessity or reason for leaving the deed from Mrs. Mathewson to Henry Wells, in the hands of David Paine, Esq. as an 'escrow'? It could not be, as has been asserted, until Henry Wells performed his agreement with Mrs. Mathewson, because that agreement was literally performed at the execution of the deed. It could not be until he had obtained the Pennsylvania title for Thomas Overton, because Overton was not a party to the agreement between Wells and Mrs. Mathewson—had nothing to do with that agreement, and Henry Wells had given to Overton satisfactory security that it should be done. If Thomas Overton, therefore, was satisfied with the penal bond of Henry Wells, securing the Pennsylvania title to him, what had Mrs. Mathewson to do with it that should induce her to lodge the deed in the hands of David Paine, Esquire, as an 'escrow'? It could not be until Thomas Overton paid the seven hundred dollars to Mrs. Mathewson for the house and lot, because Henry Wells had nothing to do with the agreement between Mrs. Mathewson and Overton; he had no control over it, and could not enforce the fulfilment of it by either party;

it was a matter entirely between themselves; Mrs. Mathewson not only holding the bond of Overton, but the possession of the house and lot as security for the payment of the purchase money by Overton. There was not, therefore, any reason for placing the deed in the hands of David Paine, Esquire, "until certain conditions had been complied with." The agreement entered into by Henry Wells, indemnifying Mrs. Mathewson against costs, was not placed in his hands "until certain conditions had been complied with." The penal bond of Henry Wells to Thomas Overton, securing to him the Pennsylvania title, and the bond from Thomas Overton to Mrs. Mathewson, securing to her the purchase money for the house and lot, were not placed in the hands of David Paine, Esquire, "until certain conditions had been complied with," but were all delivered so soon as executed, to the respective parties. Without referring, therefore, to the verbal testimony on the subject, which is contradictory,—two witnesses on each side swearing positively, and at the same time flatly contradicting each other, of whose credibility we are not enabled to judge, and would rather incline to believe that want of recollection, instead of want of honesty, was the occasion of it; we will pass over this part of the case with the observation, that by the compromise Henry Wells obtained nothing but what the law would have given him without it.

It is further alleged that by the agreement between Mrs. Mathewson and Henry Wells, the latter promised to discontinue the ejectment suit, and by failing to perform in this particular, obtained a judgment against her without any defence being made on her part. On this point the verbal testimony being contradictory, we should have to depend on the natural deductions of known facts, were it not for the written agreement between the parties, which most conclusively negatives the idea of any promise of that kind. By a reference to that agreement, it will be seen that Mr. Wells promised to "save her, the said Elizabeth, from all costs that have or may arise in consequence of the aforesaid writ of ejectment brought against her by the said Charles Carroll aforesaid." If the writ of ejectment was to be discontinued, where was the necessity of inserting in the agreement the words, "or may arise?" as no costs could have accrued after a discontinuance of the suit. The circumstance that nothing is said about the discontinuance in the agreement, would perhaps be sufficient to satisfy the mind as to the injustice of this allegation, but when connected with the fact that Mrs. Mathewson is indemnified against all costs that may arise in the suit, must be conclusive that no discontinuance was contemplated by either party at the execution of the deed, or the arrangement of the litigated points by the compromise before mentioned. It will be further remembered that the compromise was entered into on the eighth day of October, and on the eleventh of the same month judgment was entered by default against her; leaving but three days for Henry Wells to have travelled 200 miles, in order to discontinue and prevent the judgment.

These things are conclusive. Why should Mrs. Mathewson complain that she was prevented from defending her title to the land? Could she have set up any defence that would have availed her in law, or prevented the recovery by Charles Carroll? With a Connecticut title to the land, decided over and over by the supreme court of this state to be of no validity in law or equity, what expectation could she make on such a defence against a legal Pennsylvania title, derived by a regular connected chain of conveyances from the commonwealth? She had no defence to make, and it made no difference to her whether there was a discontinuance or not, as she was indemnified against all costs that might arise in consequence of the suit. If no compromise had been entered into, the same judgment would have been obtained against her, the same writ of *habere facias possessionem* issued, and instead of saving the house and lot, she would have been turned out of that also, and the costs of the suit would have fallen heavily upon her, perhaps to the ruin of her prospects. By the compromise she had every thing to gain and Henry Wells nothing, except the unjust allegation of fraud, which could not have been made if the law had taken its course.

Although it cannot interfere with the decision of this case, it may not be altogether irrelevant to state the situation in which Henry Wells stood with regard to the property at the time of the compromise. In 1804 George Wells gave his property up to his creditors in satisfaction of a mortgage held against it; but his family continued to reside thereon, and in 1805, Henry, his eldest son, went to Baltimore to effect, if possible, a re-purchase of the same land. A conditional sale was made, the validity of which depended on the performance of Henry Wells to the conditions annexed, and time was given him to effect an arrangement with Robert Troup, agent of the Pulteney estate, "for an exchange of 4000 acres of land," which was one of the conditions of the sale to him by Charles Carroll, as will be seen by the letters of Richard Caton and Robert Goodloe Harper, addressed to Henry Wells in July, 1805, and exhibited before the committee. In this situation he stood, with no better title than the verbal declarations of the grantor, together with the letters written on the subject, until the year 1814, when he received the deed from Robert Troup, who had previously exchanged lands with Charles Carroll, of Carrollton, and received the deed of Mr. Carroll for the land on Tioga point. Between these periods Henry Wells was neither the agent of Charles Carroll, nor owner of the land in his own right, although he was looking forward to the time, when, by the performance of the conditions, he should receive the deed and become the legal owner thereof. Hence in the compromise between him and Mrs. Mathewson he acted for himself, and not as the agent of Charles Carroll, although he did not at that time hold the Pennsylvania title, having received no deed from Robert Troup, through whose interference the condition of the sale could only be performed.

From an impartial view of the whole case, the undersigned cannot see any reason to believe that Henry Wells, in any particular, acted

unfairly to the widow or heirs of Elisha Mathewson; that he has rendered himself liable to the charge of artifice, fraud or injustice, or that he had by any act of his, changed the character of his title or the situation of the hitherto controverted points between the parties. If, therefore, the petitioner has any claim in equity or justice, it is not to the land of Henry Wells, legally held and fairly possessed by him; but it is to the moral obligations of government as previously extended to that misguided people, whose credulity was imposed on by the artifices of the Susquehanna company. Elisha Mathewson, the father of the present petitioner, was a soldier of the revolution. From the year 1776 until 1783, a period of six years, he faithfully served the United States; when, being honorably discharged, he returned to his paternal home, and within a few years removed and settled on the land in dispute with a title derived from the Susquehanna company. The remainder of his life was spent in the possession of that property, and he left it as an inheritance to his children, whose petition has been preferred to this House praying for relief.

It is believed that all the Connecticut claimants in actual possession, within the whole seventeen townships of Luzerne, have been confirmed in their possession by different acts of Assembly, and that the heirs of Elisha Mathewson are the only individuals to whom the government has not extended, in some way or other, the benefits of its laws. It cannot be pretended that the interposition of the Legislature was founded on any state necessity, or upon any legal claim by those who received the benefits of the several laws in those townships. In the words of judge Brackenridge "it was a moral obligation on the government to relieve the mistaken and misled inhabitants, who had settled on these lands under an idea of right, and where the situation of things and the nature of the case furnished a ground of mistake, so that they were not to be considered absolutely in the light of voluntary trespassers." Under this view of the case, while it would be a violation of vested rights, without an adequate necessity, to interfere with the possession of Henry Wells, it may not be an improper consideration for the Legislature, whether the same moral obligation would not interpose in behalf of the only Connecticut claimant who has not received the benefits of its laws, and grant some compensation to the heirs of Elisha Mathewson, whose petition is before us.

TOWNSEND HAINES.

Laid on the table.

The House resumed the third reading of the bill from the Senate, No. 280, entitled "An act to incorporate the Theological seminary of the general synod of the Evangelical Lutheran church in the United States."

And the question recurring,

Shall the bill pass?

A motion was made by Mr. M'Sherry, to postpone the question, together with the bill, until to-morrow.

Which was agreed to.

The bill from the Senate, No. 401, entitled "An act authorising the Governor to incorporate the Allegheny and Conewango canal company," was read the third time.

And on the question,
Shall the same pass?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Harrison and Mr. Matts, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. Denny	Mr. J. Miller
Atkinson	Dorrance	Overholzer
Aughinbaugh	Duncan	Patterson
Beatty	Dunlap	Pearson
Becker	Evans	Pennypacker
G. Bell	Farrell	Rankin
Bell, Leb.	W. Forster	Ringland
Bell, West.	W. B. Foster	Scudder
Binder	Good	Shannon
Blair	Kennedy	F. Smith
Bonsall	Kerr	J. R. C. Smith
Boyer	Krepps	P. Stephens
Brown, Allegh.	Lawson	Walker
Brown, Lan.	M'Clure	Whitlatch
Burden	M'Creery	Wilson
Buyers	M'Reynolds	Wise
Cooper	Madden	Wolford
Cope	Mathews, Cam.	Woolverton
Cummin	Mathewson	Ritner, <i>Sp'r.</i>
Cunningham	H. Miller	

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NAYS.

Mr. Bonner	Mr. M'Bride	Mr. G. Miller
Fackenthall	M'Sherry	Nicholson
Harrison	Matheys, Mont.	Ramsey
Ihrie	Matts	Thompson
Lauman	Meredith	Wolfsberger

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So the question was determined in the affirmative. And

Ordered, That the Clerk return the said bill to the Senate, and request their concurrence in the amendments thereto by this House.

The bill from the Senate, No. 497, entitled "An act appropriating a sum of money to the erection of a bridge over the Yellow Breeches creek," was read the second time.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the first section?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. M'Clure and Mr. W. Forster, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. Cunningham	Mr. H. Miller
Atkinson	Dillinger	J. Miller
Aughinbaugh	Duncan	Nicholson
Beatty	Dunlap	Overholzer
Becker	Evans	Pearson
G. Bell	Farrell	Scudder
Bell Leb.	W. B. Foster	Shannon
Bell, West.	Good	F. Smith
Bertolet	Hottenstein	J. R. C. Smith
Bonner	Krepps	P. Stephens
Boyer	Lawson	Walker
Brown, Allegh.	Lehman	Wilson
Brown, Lan.	M'Reynolds	Wolfersberger
Burden	M'Sherry	Wolford
Buyers	Madden	Woolverton
Cooper	Matheys, Mont.	Ritner, Sp'r.
Cope	Mathewson	

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NAYS.

Mr. Binder	Mr. Kerr	Mr. G. Miller
Blair	Lauman	Patterson
Bonsall	M'Bride	Ramsey
Denny	M'Clure	Rankin
Fackenthall	M'Creery	Ringland
W. Forster	Mathews, Cam.	Thompson
Harrison	Matts	Whitlatch
Ihrie	Meredith	Wise
Kennedy		

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So the question was determined in the affirmative.

The title was considered and agreed to. And

Ordered, That the bill be prepared for the third reading.

On motion of Mr. J. Miller,

The rule which prohibits the reading of bills twice on the same day, being in this case dispensed with, the said bill was read the third time and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Denny in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 499, entitled "A supplement to the act, entitled An act appointing commissioners to investigate the concerns of the Northern Bank of Pennsylvania."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill without amendment. And

On motion,

The said bill was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered to be prepared for the third reading.

On motion of Mr. M'Creery, the rule which prohibits the reading of bills twice on the same day being in this case dispensed with, the said bill was read the third time and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Buyers in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 500, entitled "A supplement to an act, entitled An act to erect the town of Morrisville into a borough."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill without amendment. And

On motion,

The said bill was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered to be prepared for the third reading.

On motion of Mr. Harrison,

The rule which prohibits the reading of bills twice on the same day, being in this case dispensed with, the said bill was read the third time and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Krepps in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 516, entitled "An act to enable the Governor to incorporate a company for making an artificial road from the borough of Mercer, in the county of Mercer, to the line of the state of Ohio, in a direction to the centre of Vernon, in the county of Trumbull, in the state of Ohio."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with amendments. And

On motion,

The said bill was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered to be prepared for the third reading.

On motion of Mr. Cunningham,

The rule which prohibits the reading of bills twice on the same day being in this case dispensed with, the said bill was read the third time and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate, and request their concurrence in the amendments thereto by this House.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Haines in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 518, entitled "A supplement to an act, entitled An act for the improvement of the state."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill without amendment. And

On motion,

The said bill was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered to be prepared for the the third reading.

On motion of Mr. Brown of Allegheny,

The rule which prohibits the reading of bills twice on the same day, being in this case dispensed with, the said bill was read the third time and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Becker in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 519, entitled "An act for the relief of Hugh Means, a soldier of the revolution."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill without amendment. And

On motion,

The said bill was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered to be prepared for the third reading.

On motion of Mr. M'Creery,

The rule which prohibits the reading of bills twice on the same day being in this case dispensed with, the said bill was read the third time and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Bonsall in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 520, entitled "A supplement to an act, entitled An act to provide for the education of children at the public expense within the city and county of Philadelphia."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with amendments.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. M'Creery in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 521, entitled "An act to enable John Saeger, administrator de bonis non, &c. of Peter Miller, deceased, to make title to certain real estate."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill without amendment. And

On motion,

The said bill was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered to be prepared for the third reading.

On motion of Mr. Dillinger,

The rule which prohibits the reading of bills twice on the same day, being in this case dispensed with, the said bill was read the third time and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, presented an extract from their journal, which was read as follows, viz.

" IN THE SENATE,

APRIL 12, 1827.

On motion,

The resolution from the House of Representatives for rescinding the rule relative to the transmission and reception of bills or resolutions, so far as respects a resolution from the House of Representatives relative to the case of the heirs of John Nicholson, was read a second time and adopted. And

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the House of Representatives of the same.

Laid on the table.

The Clerk of the Senate also returned the bills entitled as follow, viz.

No. 373, "An act for the relief of Nathaniel Patterson, inspector of the 1st brigade, 15th division, Pennsylvania militia, and for the relief of Nathaniel W. Sample, jr. inspector of the 2d brigade, 4th division, Pennsylvania militia."

No. 145, "An act authorising the reviewing and laying out certain state roads."

No. 10, "An act to improve the Norwegian creek, in Schuylkill county."

And informed,

That the Senate have passed said bills with amendments, in which the concurrence of the House of Representatives is requested.

The amendments by the Senate to the bills No. 373, and No. 145, were read, considered and concurred in. And

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate of the same.

The amendments by the Senate to the bill No. 10, were read, and

Laid on the table.

And further informed,

That the Senate non-concur in the amendments by the House of Representatives to the bill No. 484, entitled "A supplement to an act, entitled An act to erect the town of Indiana, in the county of Indiana, into a borough."

On motion of Mr. Lawson,

The House insisted on the amendments non-concurred in by the Senate, to the said bill. And

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate of the same.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr.

Woolverton in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 523, entitled "An act relating to the escheated estates of John M'Gray and John Weemly."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with amendments. And

On motion,

The said bill was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered to be prepared for the third reading, the title being amended so as to read as follows, viz. "An act relating to escheated estates."

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Bonner in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 531, entitled "An act for the relief of Connecticut settlers."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported progress and asked leave to sit again.

Leave was granted. And

Ordered, That the committee of the whole sit again on to-morrow.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. J. Miller in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 532, entitled "An act to aid in improving and repairing the state road between the Allegheny bridge and the Beaver bridge."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill without amendment. And

On motion,

The said bill was read the second time.

And being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Krepps, to amend the same by inserting in the 4th line of the 1st section, "appropriated not exceeding one thousand dollars."

Which was disagreed to.

And the bill and title were severally considered and agreed to. And

Ordered to be prepared for the third reading.

On motion of Mr. Brown of Allegheny,

The rule which prohibits the reading of bills twice on the same day, being in this case dispensed with, the said bill was read the third time.

And on the question,

Shall the same pass?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Wise and Mr. Farrell, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Agnew
Atkinson
Beatty
G. Bell
Bell, Leb.
Bertolet
Binder
Bonner
Boyer
Brown, Allegh.
Brown, Lan.
Buyers
Cooper
Cope
Cummin
Cunningham

Mr. Denny
Dorrance
Duncan
Dunlap
Evans
Fackenthal
W. B. Foster
Good
Hottenstein
Lauman
Lawson
Lehman
M'Clure
M'Creery
M'Reynolds
Madden

Mr. H. Miller
J. Miller
Nicholson
Overholzer
Patterson
Pearson
Rahn
Rankin
Scudder
Shannon
F. Smith
J. R. C. Smith
Snyder
Thomas
Woolverton
Ritner, Sp^r. 48

NAYS.

Mr. Bell, West.
Blair
Farrell
W. Forster
Haines
Harrison
Krepps

Mr. M'Bride
M'Sherry
Matheys, Mont.
Matts
Meredith
Pennypacker
Ramsey

Mr. Ringland
Thompson
Whitlatch
Wilson
Wise
Wolfersberger 20

So the question was determined in the affirmative. And

Ordered, That the Clerk return the said bill to the Senate.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Scudder in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 594, entitled "An act appropriating a sum of money for the erection of a bridge over the river Schuylkill, near Hamburg, in the county of Berks."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill without amendment. And

On motion,

The said bill was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered to be prepared for the third reading.

On motion of Mr. Rahn,

The rule which prohibits the reading of bills twice on the same day, being in this case dispensed with, the said bill was read the third time.

And on the question,

Shall the bill pass?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Kerr and Mr. Wise, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Agnew
Atkinson
Beatty
Becker
G. Bell
Bell, Leb.
Bertolet
Bonner
Boyer
Brown, AUegh.
Brown, Lan.
Buyers
Cooper
Cope
Cummin
Cunningham

Mr. Denny
Dillinger
Dorrance
Duncan
Dunlap
Evans
Fackenthall
W. B. Foster
Good
Hottenstein
Krepps
Lauman
Lawson
Lehman
Madden
Matheys, Mont.

Mr. H. Miller
J. Miller
Overholzer
Patterson
Pearson
Rahn
Scudder
Shannon
J. R. C. Smith
P. Stephens
Thomas
Wilson
Wolford
Woolverton
Ritner, Sp'r.

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NAYS.

Mr. Bell, West.
Binder
Blair
Farrell
W. Forster
Haines
Harrison

Mr. Kerr
M'Creery
Mathews, Cam.
Matts
Meredith
Nicholson
Pennypacker

Mr. Ramsey
Rankin
Ringland
Snyder
Thompson
Whitlatch
Wise

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So the question was determined in the affirmative. And
Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate.

Adjourned until 3 o'clock this afternoon.

SAME DAY.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole. Mr. M'Bride in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 536, entitled "An act to repeal in part an act, entitled An act for the relief of sundry supervisors therein mentioned, and for other purposes."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the first section negatived.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the report of the committee of the whole?

It was determined in the affirmative.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Mathews of Cambria in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 537, entitled "An act incorporating the Trindle Spring German Reformed Calvinist and Lutheran congregations of Cumberland county."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with amendments. And

On motion,

The said bill was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered to be prepared for the third reading.

On motion of Mr. Dunlap,

The rule which prohibits the reading of bills twice on the same day, being in this case dispensed with, the said bill was read the third time, and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate, and request their concurrence in the amendments thereto by this House.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Lehman in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 546, entitled "An act incorporating the Lancaster county academy."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill without amendment. And

On motion,

The said bill was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered to be prepared for the third reading.

On motion of Mr. Overholzer,

The rule which prohibits the reading of bills twice on the same day, being in this case dispensed with, the said bill was read the third time and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Thompson in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 547, entitled "A supplement to an act, entitled An act to alter an act, entitled An act for erecting the town of Carlisle, in the county of Cumberland, into a borough."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill without amendment. And

On motion,

The said bill was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered to be prepared for the third reading.

On motion of Mr. Dunlap,

The rule which prohibits the reading of bills twice on the same day, being in this case dispensed with, the said bill was read the third time and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Harrison in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 549, entitled "An act for the relief of Andrew Long, a soldier of the revolution."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill without amendment. And

On motion,

The said bill was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered to be prepared for the third reading.

On motion of Mr. Thompson,

The rule which prohibits the reading of bills twice on the same day, being in this case dispensed with, the said bill was read the third time and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Rankin in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 550, entitled "An act to enable the commissioners of the county of Philadelphia to convey certain real estate."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill without amendment. And

On motion,

The said bill was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered to be prepared for the third reading.

On motion of Mr. Burden,

The rule which prohibits the reading of bills twice on the same day, being in this case dispensed with, the said bill was read the third time and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Binder in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 554, entitled "An act to incorporate the Pennsylvania and Ohio canal company."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with amendments. And

On motion,

The said bill was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered, to be prepared for the third reading.

On motion of Mr. Shannon,

The rule which prohibits the reading of bills twice on the same day, being in this case dispensed with, the said bill was read the third time and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate, and request their concurrence in the amendments thereto by this House.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Wise in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 555, entitled "An act authorising the Governor to incorporate the Shamokin canal company."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill without amendment. And

On motion,

The said bill was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered to be prepared for the third reading.

On motion of Mr. Scudder,

The rule which prohibits the reading of bills twice on the same day, being in this case dispensed with, the said bill was read the third time and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Bell of Lebanon in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 560, entitled "An act to incorporate the female hospitable society."

And after some time,

The Sheaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill without amendment. And

On motion,

The said bill was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered to be prepared for the third reading.

On motion of Mr. Burden,

The rule which prohibits the reading of bills twice on the same day, being in this case dispensed with, the said bill was read the third time and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Thomas in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 561, entitled "An act authorising the executors of Peter Blecker to sell and convey certain real estate."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill without amendment. And

On motion,

The said bill was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered to be prepared for the third reading.

On motion of Mr. Pearson,

The rule which prohibits the reading of bills twice on the same day, being in this case dispensed with, the said bill was read the third time and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, returned the bill No. 223, entitled "An act to lay out and improve a road on the east side of the Susquehanna river, from the borough of Sunbury, through Georgetown, to Rodgers' ferry, and for other purposes."

And informed,

That the Senate have passed said bill with amendments, in which the concurrence of the House of Representatives is requested.

The amendments by the Senate to the said bill were read,

When a motion was made by Mr. Kerr, that the House concur in the amendments.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

A motion was made by Mr. McReynolds, to postpone the question until to-morrow.

Which was agreed to.

And further informed,

That the Senate have concurred in the amendments by the House of Representatives to the bills entitled as follow, viz.

No. 516, "An act to enable the Governor to incorporate a company for making an artificial road from the borough of Mercer, in the county of Mercer, to the line of the state of Ohio, in a direction to the centre of Vernon, in the county of Trumbull, in the state of Ohio."

No. 537, "An act incorporating the Trindle Spring German Reformed Calvinist and German Lutheran congregations of Cumberland county."

And adhere to their non-concurrence to the amendments insisted on by the House of Representatives, to the bill from the Senate, No. 464, entitled "A supplement to an act, entitled An act to erect the town of Indiana, in the county of Indiana, into a borough."

A motion was made by Mr. Lawson, that the House adhere to the said amendments, and that a committee be appointed to confer with a similar committee of the Senate upon the same.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

A division of the question was called for by Mr. Bonner.

And on the question,

Will the House adhere to the said amendments?

It was determined in the affirmative.

And on the question,
Will the House agree to appoint a committee of conference?

It was determined in the affirmative. And

Ordered, That Messrs. Lawson, Burden and Denny be the committee, and that the Clerk inform the Senate of the same:

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Mathewson in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 560, entitled "An act to change the style of the charter of the German congregation of Zellenople and Harmony, in Butler county."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill without amendment. And

On motion,

The said bill was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered to be prepared for the third reading.

On motion of Mr. Beatty,

The rule which prohibits the reading of bills twice on the same day, being in this case dispensed with, the said bill was read the third time and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Lawson in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 563, entitled "An act changing the name of John Stephens Smith to Kenderton Smith."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with one amendment. And

On motion,

The said bill was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered to be prepared for the third reading.

On motion of Mr. Burden,

The rule which prohibits the reading of bills twice on the same day, being in this case dispensed with, the said bill was read the third time and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate, and request their concurrence in the amendment thereto by this House.

Adjourned until 8 o'clock to-morrow morning.

FRIDAY, April 13, 1827.

On motion of Mr. M'Creery,

Ordered, That the committee on claims be discharged from the further consideration of the claims of Margaret Graff, George Weinder, John Welsh, Peter Seits, Peter Hanly, John Light, Catharine House, Solomon Weiser, Joseph Alter, Alexander Johnston, James Conner, Dorothea Shaffer, Charles Ristine, James M'Dowell, Thomas Cadwalader, Elizabeth Simmons, Joseph Bigony, Sarah Moor, Ann M'Cully, Rebecca House, Martha Donald, Jacob Martin and James M'Gowen, and that the petitioners have leave to withdraw their petitions and documents.

Mr. Harrison obtained leave to withdraw the petitions and documents of William Kinsey and Abraham Johnson.

Mr. Ramsey obtained leave to withdraw the petitions and documents of William M'Crum and John Anderson.

Mr. Ihrie obtained leave to withdraw the documents of the administrator of Peter Anthony, deceased.

Mr. Scudder obtained leave to withdraw the petition and documents of John Brown.

Mr. Ihrie, from the joint library committee, made a report. (No. 296.)

Which was read, and

Laid on the table.

Mr. Dillinger, from the committee appointed to compare bills and present them to the Governor for his approbation, made report, which was read as follows, viz.

That in conjunction with a similar committee from the Senate, they have compared and on yesterday presented to the Governor for his approbation, the bills entitled as follow, to wit:

An act for the relief of the heirs of Elisha Mathewson.

An act for the relief of Hugh Means, a soldier of the revolution.

A supplement to an act entitled "An act to erect the town of Morrisville into a borough."

An act appropriating a sum of money to the erection of a bridge over the Yellow breeches creek.

A supplement to an act, entitled "An act for the improvement of the state."

An act to incorporate the town of Mifflinburg, in Union county.

A further supplement to the act, entitled "An act for holding special courts of common pleas."

An act authorising the administrators of Peter Anthony, to sell and convey certain real estate.

A supplement to the act, entitled "An act for the promotion of agriculture and domestic manufactures."

An act granting aid to Allegheny college, in Crawford county.

An act to incorporate the towns of Jefferson and Hamilton, in Greene county, into a borough

An act to establish an academy in the town of Mifflinburg, in the county of Union, and for other purposes.

An act to repeal part of an act, passed March fifteenth, one thousand eight hundred and twenty-six, authorising James Bell and Evan Thomas to build a bridge over Smithfield creek, in Northampton county.

An act for the relief of Charles Mitman and Samuel Beatty, soldiers of the revolution.

An act to authorise the committee of the estate of Charles Wil-
ling Hare to sell and convey real estate

An act to authorise the trustees of a public school in Douglas township, Berks county, to sell certain real estate.

An act for the relief of Patrick Dickson and James Ryley, soldiers of the revolution.

An act to incorporate the rector, church wardens and vestry-
men of the Episcopal church of St. Paul's, in Beaver county

An act to repeal the eighth, ninth and tenth sections of an act authorising the sale and conveyance of certain real estate, and for other purposes, passed March thirty first, eighteen hundred and twenty five.

A supplement to the act, entitled An act authorising a review of certain state roads.

A supplement to the act, entitled "An act appointing commissioners to investigate the concerns of the Northern bank of Pennsylvania.

An act to incorporate the Union academy at Doylestown.

An act to enable the Governor to incorporate a company for making an artificial road from the borough of Mercer, in the county of Mercer, to the line of the state of Ohio, in a direction to the centre of Vernon, in the county of Trumbull, in the state of Ohio.

Laid on the table.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, returned the bill No. 540, entitled "An act making appropriations to defray certain expenses of government."

And informed,

That the Senate have passed said bill with amendments, in which the concurrence of the House of Representatives is requested.

The said amendments were read,

When a motion was made by Mr. F. Smith, that the House concur in the same.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

A motion was made by Mr. Krepps, to postpone the question, together with the amendments, until this afternoon.

Which was disagreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Lehman, to amend the amendment in the sixth line, by inserting after 'Commonwealth,' 'State Treasurer and Auditor General;' and by striking from the ninth line 'Secretary of the Commonwealth,' and inserting in lieu thereof 'said commissioners.'

Which was agreed to.

And on the question,

Will the House concur in the amendments as amended?

A motion was made by Mr. Krepps, to postpone the question, together with the amendments, until to-morrow.

Which was disagreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Ringland, to postpone the question, together with the amendments, for the present.

When a division of the question was called for by Mr. Meredith.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to postpone the question, together with the amendments?

It was determined in the negative.

And the amendments as amended were concurred in. And

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate and request their concurrence in the amendments thereto by this House.

The Clerk of the Senate further informed, that the Senate have concurred in the amendments by the House of Representatives with amendments in which the concurrence of the House is requested to the bills entitled as follow, viz.

No. 559, "An act to enable the Governor to incorporate a company for making an artificial road from the borough of Mercer, in the county of Mercer, through Greenville, to the line of the state of Ohio, at William Mossman's, in a direction to the town of Kinsman, in the county of Trumbull, in the state of Ohio."

No. 515, "A further supplement to the act, entitled An act for the regulation of the militia of this commonwealth."

The amendments by the Senate to the said amendments were read, considered and concurred in. And

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate of the same.

And have non-concurred in the amendments by the House of Representatives to the bill No. 332, entitled "An act for the relief of Metal township, Franklin county."

On leave given,

A motion was made by Mr. Rahn, and read as follows. viz.

Resolved, That the Speaker draw his warrant on the State Treasurer, in favor of Francis R. Shunk, Clerk of this House, for fifteen hundred dollars, for purchasing fuel, stationary, &c. for the next House, and to pay off contingent expenses not settled at the present session; he to account for the said sum to the next House of Representatives. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

On motion of Mr. Rahn,

The amendments by the Senate to the bill No. 10, entitled "An act to improve the Norwegian creek, in Schuylkill county," were read, considered and concurred in. And

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate of the same.

The House resumed the third reading of the bill from the Senate, No. 280, entitled "An act incorporating the theological seminary of the general synod of the Evangelical Lutheran church in the United States."

When a motion was made by Mr. M'Sherry, that the said bill be re-committed to a committee of the whole House, for the purpose of striking therefrom all except the first section.

Which was disagreed to.

And on the question,

Shall the same pass?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Ihrle and Mr. Boyer, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. Dorrance	Mr. Pearson
Atkinson	Duncan	Rankin
Beatty	W. Forster	Ringland
Becker	W. B. Foster	Scudder
G. Bell	Kerr	Shannon
Bell, Leb.	Krepps	J. R. C. Smith
Bell, West.	Lawson	Snyder
Blair	Lehman	Thomas
Bonner	M'Clure	Walker
Bonsall	M'Creery	Whitlatch
Brown, Allegh.	Madden	Wilson
Burden	Meredith	Wolfersberger
Cooper	Nicholson	Woolverton
Cummin	Patterson	Ritner, <i>Sp'r.</i>
Denny		

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NAYS.

Mr. Binder	Mr. Harrison	Mr. J. Miller
Boyer	Ihrle	Rahn
Brown, Lan.	Kennedy	Ramsey
Buyers	Lauman	F. Smith
Dillinger	M'Bride	P. Stephens
Dunlap	M'Reynolds	Thompson
Ellis	M'Sherry	Wise
Good	Matts	Wolford
Haines	H. Miller	

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So the question was determined in the affirmative. And

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate, and request their concurrence in the amendments thereto by this House.

The Secretary of the Commonwealth being introduced, presented a message from the Governor, which was read as follows, viz.

To the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

GENTLEMEN,

I have this day approved and signed the following acts and resolution of the General Assembly, and directed the Secretary of the Commonwealth to return them to the Houses in which they respectively originated, viz.

1. An act concerning agencies of insurance companies, not authorised by the laws of this state, established within this commonwealth.

2. A supplement to an act entitled An act authorising the Governor to incorporate the York water company, passed the 8th day of February, 1816.

3. An act appropriating a sum of money to open a state road through part of Fayette county.

4. An act to revoke the charter of the Northern bank of Pennsylvania.

5. An act to enable Rosina Jacoby to convey certain real estate, and for other purposes.

6. An act to authorise Stoddell Stokes to erect a bridge over Broadhead's creek, in Northampton county.

7. An act for the relief of John Newman, a deaf and dumb person.

8. A supplement to the act, entitled An act establishing an academy in the borough of Northampton, in Lehigh county, and granting a sum of money thereto.

9. A supplement to the act, entitled An act to incorporate the Lehigh coal and navigation company, passed 13th February, 1822.

10. An act to authorise the trustees of Nancy Wharton, to sell and convey certain property.

11. An act for the relief of Elizabeth Bison, widow of Charles Bison, a soldier of the revolution.

12. An act to enable Abraham Sebolt, surviving trustee, to sell a certain Methodist meeting house in Jonestown, Lebanon county.

13. An act for the relief of the sureties of William Hamilton, deceased.

14. An act to declare the uses of certain bonds.

15. An act to annul the marriage contract of Samuel Weston and Julia Ann his wife.

16. An act granting a sum of money to aid in opening and improving a certain state road therein mentioned.

17. An act for the relief of sundry soldiers and widows of soldiers of the revolutionary war.

18. A supplement to the act, entitled An act for the relief of Samuel Richards and Moses M'Cormick, and to authorise Daniel Beckly and others, to convey a lot of ground.

19. An act for the relief of William Alexander, late a supervisor of Spring township, in the county of Centre.

20. An act for the relief of Joseph H. Fennemore and Bartholomew Graves.

21. An act to erect the town of Elizabethtown, in the county of Lancaster, into a borough, and supplementary to the acts incorporating the towns of Williamsport and Jersey Shore, and the district of Southwark, and for other purposes.

22. An act to incorporate the borough of Selinsgrove, in Union county, and the town of Berlin, in the county of Somerset.

23. An act to authorise the Governor to incorporate the Shippenville and Foxburg turnpike road company.

24. An act to incorporate the Philadelphia rail way dock company.

Resolution recommending to county commissioners to furnish children, educated at the public expense, with Rogers' Biographical Dictionary.

Laid on the table.

On leave given,

Mr. Wise, from the committee appointed on the complaint against justice Walton, made a report, (No. 297,) accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That the committee be discharged from any further consideration of the subject.

And on motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

On leave given,

Mr. Lawson, from the committee to whom was referred the letter of the Auditor General, relative to tolls of certain turnpike road companies, made a report, (No. 298,) accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That the Auditor General be instructed to address a circular to the president, treasurer or managers of the several turnpike road companies in which the state holds stock, requesting them to report to him the amount of toll authorised by law, and the amount paid by the several stage owners on their respective turnpikes, annually, since the year 1820, the distance of their several turnpikes and the number of toll gates erected thereon, the kind of payments they make, and such other information as the Auditor General may deem to be important in relation to the commonwealth: and that the same be laid before the House of Representatives at the next session of the Legislature.

And on motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

The bill from the Senate, No. 523, entitled "An act relating to the escheated estates of John M'Gray and John Weemly," was read the third time.

And on the question,
Shall the same pass?

A motion was made by Mr. Harrison, to postpone the question, together with the bill, indefinitely.

Which was disagreed to.

And the question recurring,
Shall the same pass?

It was determined in the affirmative. And

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate and request their concurrence in the amendments thereto by this House.

On motion of Mr. M'Reynolds,

The House resumed the consideration of the amendments by the Senate to the bill No. 223, entitled "An act to lay out and improve a road on the east side of the Susquehanna river, from the borough of Sunbury, through Georgetown, to Rodgers' ferry, and for other purposes."

And the question recurring,
Will the House concur in the amendments?

A division of the question was called for by Mr. Ellis.

And on the question,
Will the House concur in the amendments, viz. to strike from the bill the 1st, 2d and 3d sections?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Ringland and Mr. Ramsey, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Binder	Mr. Kerr	Mr. Ramsey
Blair	Lehman	Ringland
Dillinger	M'Sherry	Thompson
W. Forster	Mathews, Cam.	Whitlatch
Harrison	Matts	Wilson
Ihrle	Meredith	Wise
Kennedy	Pennypacker	

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NAYS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. Buyers	Mr. Evans
Atkinson	Cooper	Good
Beatty	Cope	Krepps
G. Bell	Cummins	Lauman
Bell, Leb.	Denny	M'Bride
Bertolet	Dorrance	M'Clure
Bonner	Duncan	M'Creery
Brown, Lam.	Dunlap	M'Reynolds
Burden	Ellis	Madden

NAYS.

Mr. Matheys, Mont.	Mr. Rahn	Mr. Thomas
H. Miller	Rankin	Walker
J. Miller	Scudder	Wolfersberger
Overholzer	F. Smith	Wolford
Patterson	J. R. C. Smith	Woolverton
Pearson	P. Stephens	Ritner, Sp'r. 43

So the question was determined in the negative.

And the remaining amendments were concurred in. And

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate of the same.

On leave given,

A motion was made by Mr. F. Smith and Mr. Rankin, they being in the majority, to re-consider the vote given on yesterday, on agreeing to the report of the committee of the whole, on the bill from the Senate, No. 536, entitled "An act to repeal, in part, an act entitled An act for the relief of sundry supervisors therein mentioned, and for other purposes."

And on the question,

Will the House agree to re-consider the said vote?

It was determined in the affirmative.

The bill being again before the House,

And the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the report of the committee of the whole?

It was determined in the negative.

And the bill was considered and agreed to, and

Ordered to be prepared for the third reading.

On motion of Mr. F. Smith,

The rule which prohibits the reading of bills twice on the same day, being in this case dispensed with, the said bill was read the third time and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, returned the bills entitled as follow, viz.

No. 74, "An act granting compensation for donation land to sundry soldiers and heirs of soldiers of the revolutionary war."

No. 84, "An act to authorise the establishment of a branch bank in the town of Pottsville, in Schuylkill county."

No. 493, "A supplement to an act, entitled An act for the relief of the poor, passed the 9th day of March, 1771."

And informed,

That the Senate have passed said bills with amendments, in which the concurrence of the House of Representatives is requested.

The amendments by the Senate to the bill No. 74 were read, considered and non-concurred in, except the last amendment, which was concurred in, and

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate of the same.

The amendments by the Senate to the bills No. 84 and 493, were read, considered and concurred in, and

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate of the same.

The Clerk of the Senate further informed, that the Senate concur in the amendments by the House of Representatives to the bills entitled as follow, viz.

No. 554, "An act to incorporate the Pennsylvania and Ohio canal company."

No. 520, "A supplement to an act, entitled An act to provide for the education of children at the public expense, within the city and county of Philadelphia."

And have non-concurred in the first, and concurred in the second and third amendments by the House of Representatives to the amendments by the Senate to the bill No. 133, entitled "An act concerning the backing and endorsing warrants by justices of the peace."

On motion,

The House receded from the said amendment, non-concurred in by the Senate, and

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate of the same.

The Clerk of the Senate also informed, that they have concurred in the amendments by the House of Representatives to the amendments by the Senate, with an amendment, in which the concurrence of the House of Representatives is requested, to the bill No. 540, entitled "An act making appropriations to defray certain expenses of government."

The said amendment was read, considered and concurred in, and

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate of the same.

The Clerk of the Senate gave further information, that the Senate have appointed Messrs. Garber, Kerlin and Herbert, a committee of conference, to confer with a similar committee of the House of Representatives, already appointed, on the amendments by the House of Representatives non-concurred in by the Senate, and adhered to by the House of Representatives, to the bill No. 484, entitled "A supplement to an act, entitled An act to erect the town of Indiana, in the county of Indiana, into a borough."

He gave further information, that the Senate insist upon their amendments non-concurred in by the House of Representatives, to the bill from the House of Representatives, No. 223, entitled "An act to lay out and improve a road on the east side of the Susquehanna river, from the borough of Sunbury, through Georgetown, to Rodgers' ferry, and for other purposes."

The bill from the Senate, No. 520, entitled "A supplement to an act, entitled An act to provide for the education of children at the public expense, within the city and county of Philadelphia," was read the second time, considered and agreed to, and

Ordered to be prepared for the third reading.

On motion of Mr. Burden,

The rule which prohibits the reading of bills twice on the same day, being in this case dispensed with, the said bill was read the third time and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate, and request their concurrence in the amendments thereto by this House.

Agreeably to leave given,

The House again resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Cunningham in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 573, entitled "A further supplement to an act, entitled An act to appoint a board of canal commissioners."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported that there is not a quorum of members present.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, returned the bills entitled as follow, viz.

No. 512, "A supplement to the act, entitled An act to provide for the erection of a poor house, for the better relief and employment of the poor in the townships of Oxford and Lower Dublin, in the county of Philadelphia; and relative to the poor of the borough of Erie, and certain townships in the county of Erie."

No. 91, "An act vesting certain powers in the administrators of the estate of James Elliott, deceased."

And informed,

That the Senate have passed the first without and the latter with amendments, in which the concurrence of the House of Representatives is requested.

The amendments by the Senate to the said bill were read, considered and concurred in, and

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate of the same.

The Clerk of the Senate also informed, that they have appointed Messrs Kerlin, Ogle and Hawkins, to confer with a similar committee already appointed by the House of Representatives, on the subject of the amendments to the bill No. 223, entitled "An act to lay out and improve a road on the east side of the Susquehanna river, from the borough of Sunbury, through Georgetown, to Rodgers' ferry, and for other purposes."

Adjourned until 3 o'clock this afternoon.

SAME DAY.

The House again resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Cunningham in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 573, entitled "A further supplement to an act, entitled An act to appoint a board of canal commissioners."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with amendments.

And, on motion,

The said bill was read the second time.

And the first section being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Blair, to amend the same by inserting after 'of,' in the 4th line, 'one third of;' and by striking from the 8th line 'nine,' and inserting in lieu thereof 'three.'

Which was disagreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Blair, to amend the section by adding thereto the following proviso, viz.

And provided also, That no member who has sat in the Legislature of the year preceding the appointment of canal commissioners, shall be appointed a canal commissioner.

And on the question,

Will the House agree so to amend?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Blair and Mr. Lawson, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Blair
Cunningham
Dillinger
Dunlap
Kerr
M'Sherry

Mr. Mathews, Cam.
Matheys, Mont.
Meredith
Nicholson
Pennypacker
Ramsey

Mr. Rankin
Ringland
Thompson
Wilson
Wise

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NAYS.

Mr. Beatty
Bell, Leb.
Bell, West.
Bertolet
Binder
Brown, Allegh.
Brown, Lan.
Burden
Cooper
Cope
Cummin
Denny
Dorrance
Evans

Mr. W. Forster
W. B. Foster
Good
Harrison
Lauman
Lawson
Lehman
M'Clure
M'Reynolds
Madden
Mathewson
Matts
H. Miller
J. Miller

Mr. Patterson
Pearson
Scudder
F. Smith
J. R. C. Smith
Snyder
P. Stephens
Thomas
Whitlatch
Wolfersberger
Wolford
Woolverton
Ritner, Sp'r.

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So the question was determined in the negative.

A motion was then made by Mr. J. Miller, to strike from the 7th line 'June,' and inserting in lieu thereof 'March.'

Which was disagreed to.

And the first section was agreed to.

The second section being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Ellis, to amend the same by strik-

ing therefrom "and the pay of other subordinates shall be seventy-five cents per day for every day necessarily employed."

Which was agreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Snyder, further to amend the section by striking therefrom these words, "and from and after the expiration of the term or time which any engineer or assistant engineer may have heretofore been employed by the board of canal commissioners, the said fixed sum shall not for the principal engineers respectively, or of those whom it shall be found necessary to employ hereafter, exceed two thousand dollars per annum, payable quarterly on orders to be drawn on the treasurer of the internal improvement fund, by the president of the said board, attested by the clerk thereof; and such engineers as shall be employed for less time than one year shall receive a sum not exceeding four dollars per day, payable monthly; and the principal engineers shall not absent themselves from attending personally to the operations upon the canals under their direction, except in cases of sickness or other necessity; and the compensation of the assistant engineers respectively, shall not exceed sixty dollars per month, payable as aforesaid, and the pay of the target man shall be one dollar and fifty cents per day, and the salary of the secretary or clerk of the board of canal commissioners shall not exceed four hundred dollars per annum, payable quarterly in the manner aforesaid."

Which was disagreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Meredith, further to amend the section by striking therefrom these words, "and the compensation of the assistant engineers respectively shall not exceed sixty dollars per month, payable as aforesaid."

And on the question,

Will the House agree so to amend?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Krepps and Mr. Ringland, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Binder
Burden
Denny
Duncan
Ellis

Mr. Harrison
Lehman
Meredith
Pearson
Pennypacker

Mr. J. R. C. Smith
Snyder
Thomas
Thompson

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NAYS.

Mr. Agnew
Beatty
G. Bell
Bell, Leb.
Bell, West.
Bertolet
Bonner
Brown, Allegh.
Brown, Lan.

Mr. Cooper
Cope
Cummin
Dorrance
Dunlap
Evans
Farrell
W. Forster
Good

Mr. Kerr
Krepps
Lauman
Lawson
M'Bride
M'Clure
M'Creery
M'Reynolds
M'Sherry

YAYS.

Mr. Madden	Mr. Patterson	Mr. P. Stephens
Mathews, Cam.	Ramsey	Whitlatch
Mathewson	Rankin	Wise
Matts	Ringland	Wolfersberger
H. Miller	Scudder	Wolford
J. Miller	Shannon	Woolverton
Nicholson	F. Smith	Ritner, Sp'r.
Overholzer		

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So the question was determined in the negative.

A motion was then made by Mr. Meredith, further to amend the section by striking therefrom 'sixty dollars,' and inserting in lieu thereof 'seventy-five dollars.'

And on the question,

Will the House agree so to amend?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Mathews of Cambria and Mr. Dunlap, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. G. Bell	Mr. Harrison	Mr. J. R. C. Smith
Binder	Lehman	Snyder
Burden	M'Clure	Thomas
Denny	Meredith	Thompson
Duncan	Pearson	Ritner, Sp'r.
Ellis	Pennypacker	

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NAYS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. Good	Mr. J. Miller
Beatty	Kerr	Nicholson
Bell, Leb.	Krepps	Overholzer
Bertolet	Lauman	Patterson
Bonner	Lawson	Ramsey
Brown, Allegh.	M'Bride	Rankin
Brown, Lan.	M'Creery	Ringland
Cope	M'Reynolds	Shannon
Cummin	M'Sherry	F. Smith
Dorrance	Madden	P. Stephens
Dunlap	Mathews, Cam.	Whitlatch
Evans	Mathewson	Wolfersberger
Farrell	Matts	Wolford
W. Forster	H. Miller	Woolverton
W. B. Foster		

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So the question was determined in the negative.

And the section as amended was agreed to.

The third section being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Denny, to amend the same by striking therefrom 'the compensation now allowed to the acting canal commissioners,' and inserting in lieu thereof 'three dollars per day.'

And on the question,

Will the House agree so to amend?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Denny and Mr. M'Reynolds, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. Lauman	Mr. Nicholson
Beatty	M'Bride	Ramsey
Bonner	M'Sherry	Rankin
Brown, Lan.	Mathews, Cam.	Shannon
Denny	Mathewson	F. Smith
Dillinger	Matts	Whitlatch
Evans	H Miller	Wolfersberger
Farrell	J. Miller	Woolverton
Kerr		

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NAYS.

Mr. G. Bell	Mr. W. B. Foster	Mr. Patterson
Bell, Leb.	Good	Pearson
Bertolet	Krepps	Pennypacker
Binder	Lawson	Scudder
Brown, Allegh.	Lehman	J. R. C. Smith
Cope	McClure	Snyder
Cummin	M'Reynolds	Thomas
Dorrance	Madden	Thompson
Duncan	Meredith	Wolford
W. Forster	Overholzer	Ritner, Sp'r. 30

So the question was determined in the negative.

A motion was then made by Mr. J. Miller, to amend the section by striking therefrom 'who shall be allowed a sum not exceeding the compensation now allowed to the acting canal commissioners,' and by adding to the section these words, 'receive three dollars per day for their services, and the pay of the acting canal commissioners shall also be three dollars per day from and after the first day of June next.'

And on the question,

Will the House agree so to amend?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. J. Miller and Mr. Farrell, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. Evans	Mr. J. Miller
Beatty	Farrell	Nicholson
Bell, Leb	W. Forster	Overholzer
Bertolet	Kerr	Patterson
Bonner	Krepps	Ramsey
Brown, Lan	Lauman	Rankin
Buyers	M'Bride	F. Smith
Cooper	M'Sherry	Thompson
Cope	Mathews, Cam.	Whitlatch
Cummin	Mathewson	Wilson
Dillinger	Matts	Wolfersberger
Dorrance	H. Miller	Wolford
Dunlap		

NAYS.

Mr. Binder	Mr. Lehman	Mr. Scudder
Brown, Allegh.	M'Clure	J. R. C. Smith
Denny	M'Reynolds	Snyder
Duncan	Madden	Thomas
Good	Meredith	Woolverton
Harrison	Pearson	Ritner, <i>Sp'r.</i>
Lawson	Pennypacker	

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So the question was determined in the affirmative.

And the section as amended was agreed to.

The 4th, 5th and 6th sections were severally considered and agreed to.

A motion was then made by Mr. Dorrance, to amend the bill by adding thereto the following new section, viz.

Section 7. *And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid,* That the Pennsylvania canal commissioners be and they are hereby authorised and required to dispose of all the surplus water that may be created and spared from the Pennsylvania canal between the point opposite the mouth of the Juniata river and the borough of Harrisburg, to be used in the vicinity of the said borough for manufacturing purposes, upon the same terms and conditions as similar privileges shall be granted on other parts of said canal: *Provided however,* That if the said section of canal will afford more surplus water than can be sold within two years from the time, the same will be offered for sale or used at or near said borough, the said commissioners may dispose of it to be used at any other point on the canal that they may deem expedient.

And on the question,

Will the House agree so to amend?

A motion was made that the House adjourn.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Brown of Allegheny and Mr. Dorrance, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Beatty	Mr. Good	Mr. Pennypacker
Bertolet	Lehman	Ramsey
Binder	M'Bride	Rankin
Brown, Allegh.	M'Clure	F. Smith
Cooper	M'Sherry	J. R. C. Smith
Cope	Madden	Snyder
Dillinger	Patterson	Thomas
Duncan	Pearson	Ritner, <i>Sp'r.</i>
W. Forster		

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NAYS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. Kerr	Mr. Nicholson
Bell, Leb.	Krepps	Overholzer
Brown, Lan.	Lauman	Ringland
Buyers	Lawson	Thompson
Denny	Mathews, Cam.	Whitlatch
Dorrance	Mathewson	Wilson
Dunlap	Matts	Woltersberger
Evans	Meredith	Wolford
Farrell	H. Miller	Woolverton
Harrison	J. Miller	

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So the question was determined in the negative.

A motion was then made that the House adjourn.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Krepps and Mr. Farrell, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Beatty	Mr. M'Bride	Mr. Pennypacker
Bertolet	McClure	Rankin
Binder	M'Sherry	F. Smith
Cooper	Madden	J. R. C. Smith
Cope	Patterson	Snyder
Dillinger	Pearson	Thomas
Good		

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NAYS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. Harrison	Mr. Nicholson
Bell, Leb.	Kerr	Overholzer
Brown, Allegh.	Krepps	Ramsey
Brown, Lan.	Lauman	Ringland
Buyers	Lawson	Thompson
Denny	Lehman	Whitlatch
Dorrance	Mathews, Cam.	Wilson
Duncan	Mathewson	Woltersberger
Dunlap	Matts	Wolford
Evans	Meredith	Woolverton
Farrell	H. Miller	Ritner, Sp'r.
W. Forster	J. Miller	

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So the question was determined in the negative.

And the question recurring,

Will the House agree to the new section?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Mathews of Cambria, and Mr. Meredith, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS:

Mr. Agnew
Bell, Leb.
Brown, Lan.
Buyers
Denny
Dorrance
Dunlap
Evans
Farrell

Mr. W. Forster
Kerr
Krepps
Lauman
M'Bride
M'Clure
Mathewson
H. Miller
J. Miller

Mr. Nicholson
Overholzer
Ringland
F. Smith
Thomas
Whitlatch
Woltersberger
Wolford

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NAYS.

Mr. Beatty
Bertolet
Binder,
Brown, Allegh.
Burden
Cooper
Cope
Cummin
Dillinger
Duncan

Mr. Good
Harrison
Lawson
Lehman
M'Sherry
Madden
Mathews, Cam.
Matts
Meredith
Patterson

Mr. Pearson
Pennypacker
Ramsey
Rankin
J. R. C. Smith
Snyder
Thompson
Wilson
Woolverton
Ritner, Spr. 30

So the question was determined in the negative.

The title was considered and agreed to. And

Ordered, That the bill be prepared for the third reading.

On motion of Mr. Lawson,

The rule which prohibits the reading of bills twice on the same day, being in this case dispensed with, the said bill was read the third time.

And on the question,

Shall the same pass?

A motion was made by Mr. Denny, to postpone the question, together with the bill, until to-morrow.

When the previous question was called for by Messrs. Dillinger, Cooper, Ramsey, Wolford, Ringland, Mathews of Cambridge, Matts, Woltersberger, Pearson, Lawson, Rankin and J. R. C. Smith.

And on the question,

Shall the main question be now put?

It was determined in the affirmative.

And on the main question, viz.

Shall the bill pass?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Binder and Mr. Bertolet, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Agnew
Beatty
Bell, Leb.
Bertolet
Brown, Allegh.

Mr. Brown, Lan.
Buyers
Cope
Cummin
Denny

Mr. Dorrance
Dunlap
Evans
Farrell
W. Forster

YEAS.

Mr. Good	Mr. Mathews, Cam.	Mr. Rankin
Harrison	Mathewson	Ringland
Kerr	Matts	Shannon
Krepps	H. Miller	F. Smith
Lauman	J. Miller	Whitlatch
Lawson	Nicholson	Wilson
M'Bride	Overholzer	Wolfersberger
M'Clure	Patterson	Wolford
M'Sherry	Pearson	Woolverton
Madden	Ramsey	Ritner, Sp'r. 45

NAYS.

Mr. Binder	Mr. Duncan	Mr. J. R. C. Smith
Burden	Lehman	Snyder
Cooper	Meredith	Thomas
Dillinger	Pennypacker	Thompson 12

So the question was determined in the affirmative, and

Ordered, That the Clerk return the said bill to the Senate, and request their concurrence in the amendments thereto by this House.

Adjourned until 8 o'clock to-morrow morning.

*SATURDAY, April 14, 1827.*

A motion was made by Mr. J. Miller, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That an injunction be laid on the members of this House, not to absent themselves from the seat of government at any time from this to the end of the session, without leave of absence, on pain of being censured by the House.

Laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Scudder,

Ordered, That a committee be appointed to confer with a similar committee of the Senate, on the subject of the amendments by the Senate, non-concurred in by this House, to the bill No. 225, entitled "An act to lay out and improve a road on the east side of the Susquehanna river, from the borough of Sunbury, through Georgetown, to Rodgers' ferry, and for other purposes."

A motion was then made by Mr. Kerr, that the House recede from their non-concurrence and concur in the amendments by the Senate to the said bill.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Ellis and Mr. W. Forster, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. W. Forster	Mr. Ramsey
Beatty	Harrison	Rankin
Beil, West.	Kerr	Ringland
Binder	M'Reynolds	F. Smith
Bonsall	Madden	J. R. C. Smith
Brown, Allegh.	Mathews, Cam	Snyder
Burden	Matheys, Mont.	Thompson
Cope	Matts	Whitlatch
Cunningham	Meredith	Wise
Denny	Nicholson	Wolferberger
Dillinger	Patterson	Wolford
Duncan	Pearson	Ritner, <i>Sp'r.</i> 56

NAYS.

Mr. Agnew	Mr. Ellis	Mr. H. Miller
G. Bell	Evans	J. Miller
Bell, Leb.	Farrell	Overholzer
Bertolet	Good	Rahn
Bonner	Krepps	Scudder
Brown, Lan.	Lauman	Shannon
Buyers	Lawson	P. Stephens
Cooper	M'Bride	Walker
Dorrance	M'Clure	Woolverton
Dunlap	M'Sherry	

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So the question was determined in the affirmative. And

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate of the same.

A motion was made by Mr. Walker, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to enquire into the expediency of repealing any law or laws, authorising the Union canal company to raise money by way of lottery. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time.

And being under consideration,

A motion was made by Mr. Wise, to postpone the further consideration of the said resolution, and that the same be recommended to the early and especial attention of the next Legislature.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. J. R. C. Smith obtained leave to withdraw the petition and documents of John L. Sullivan.

Mr. Bertolet obtained leave to withdraw the petition and documents of George Schnell.

Mr. Dunlap obtained leave to withdraw the petition and documents of John Weiser.

Mr. Dillinger, from the committee appointed to compare bills and present them to the Governor for his approbation, made report, which was read as follows, viz.

That in conjunction with a similar committee from the Senate, they have compared and on yesterday presented to the Governor for his approbation, the bills entitled as follow, to wit:

An act appropriating a sum of money for the erection of a bridge over the river Schuylkill, near Hamburg, in the county of Berks.

An act to aid in improving and repairing the state road between the Allegheny bridge and Beaver bridge.

An act authorising the executors of Peter Blecker, deceased, to sell and convey certain real-estate

An act incorporating the Lancaster county academy.

An act to enable John Saeger, administrator de bonis non, &c. of Peter Miller, deceased, to make a title to certain real estate.

An act to incorporate the Female Hospitable society.

An act changing the name of John Stephen Smith, to Kenderton Smith.

An act for the relief of Andrew Long, a soldier of the revolution.

An act incorporating the Trindle Spring German Reformed Calvinist and German Lutheran congregations of Cumberland county.

An act to change the style of the charter of the German congregation of Zelenople and Harmony, in Butler county.

A supplement to an act, entitled An act to alter an act, entitled An act for erecting the town of Carlisle, in the county of Cumberland, into a borough, &c.

An act to enable the commissioners of the county of Philadelphia, to convey certain real estate.

An act authorising the Governor to incorporate the Shamokin canal company.

An act authorising the reviewing and laying out of certain state roads, and for other purposes.

An act for the relief of Nathaniel Patterson, inspector of the 1st brigade, 15th division, Pennsylvania militia, and for the relief of Nathaniel W. Sample, junior, inspector of the 2d brigade, fourth division, Pennsylvania militia.

An act to authorise the establishment of a branch bank in the town of Pottsville, in Schuylkill county.

An act to improve the Norwegian creek, in Schuylkill county.

An act to repeal, in part, an act entitled An act for the relief of sundry supervisors therein mentioned, and for other purposes.

An act to incorporate the Pennsylvania and Ohio canal company.

A supplement to an act, entitled An act to provide for the education of children at the public expense, within the city and county of Philadelphia.

An act to enable the Governor to incorporate a company for making an artificial road from the borough of Mercer, in the county of Mercer, through Greenville, to the line of the state of Ohio,

at William Mossman's, in a direction to the town of Kinsman, in the county of Trumbull, in the state of Ohio, and for other purposes.

A further supplement to the act, entitled *An act for the regulation of the militia of this commonwealth.*

Laid on the table.

Mr. Rahn, from the committee of accounts, made a report, (No. 299) relative to the accounts of the printers of the bills, accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That the Speaker draw his warrant on the State Treasurer, in favor of Cameron and Krause, for seven hundred and two dollars and seventy-five cents, the above balance, and

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

Mr. Rahn, from the committee of accounts, made a report, (No. 300,) relative to the accounts of the transcribing clerks, accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That the Speaker draw his warrants in favor of the transcribing clerks, for the above sums respectively, and

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

Mr. Rahn, from the committee of accounts, made a report, (No. 301,) relative to the account of Dennis Brady, accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That the Speaker draw his warrant on the State Treasurer, in favor of Dennis Brady, for twenty-one dollars and twenty-five cents, in full for the aforesaid service, and

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

On motion of Mr. F. Smith,

The House again resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Walker in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 466, entitled "*An act for the protection of sureties in certain cases.*"

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with one amendment.

And on motion,

The said bill was read the second time.

When a motion was made by Mr. Meredith, to amend the section by striking therefrom these words, "upon the application of such surety or sureties, or his or their legal representatives, and upon due and sufficient proof made to such court that the person or persons in whose names or on whose behalf such application shall be made, was or were surety or sureties only for the payment of the money for which such judgment was obtained, and that the same has been as aforesaid paid by such surety or sureties or his or their legal representatives, direct such judgment to be endorsed to the use of such surety or sure-

ties, his or their legal representatives; whereupon, the person or persons to whose use such judgment shall be endorsed, may proceed against the principal debtor or debtors or his or their property, in the same manner as the original plaintiff or plaintiffs might or could have done: *Provided*, That the provisions of this act shall not be held to affect cases where sales have been made and the monies paid over by any sheriff or other officer before such application as aforesaid," and inserting in lieu thereof these words, "and shall exercise the powers and jurisdictions of a court of chancery in giving relief in equity to such surety or sureties, his or their legal representatives."

And on the question,

Will the House agree so to amend?

It was determined in the affirmative.

And the bill as amended was agreed to, and
Ordered to be prepared for the third reading.

On motion of Mr. F. Smith,

The rule which prohibits the reading of bills twice on the same day, being in this case dispensed with, the said bill was read the third time and passed, and

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate and request their concurrence in the amendments thereto by this House.

Agreeably to the order of the day,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. G. Bell in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 548, entitled "An act concerning writs of scire facias."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with one amendment. And

On motion,

The said bill was read the second time, considered and agreed to, and

Ordered to be prepared for the third reading.

On motion of Mr. Meredith,

The rule which prohibits the reading of bills twice on the same day, being in this case dispensed with, the said bill was read the third time and passed, and

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate and request their concurrence in the amendment thereto by this House.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Mathews of Cambria in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 564, entitled "A supplement to an act, entitled An act authorising the Governor to incorporate the Lackawanna and Susquehanna rail road company."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with amendments. And

On motion,

The said bill was read the second time, considered and agreed to, and

Ordered to be prepared for the third reading.

On motion of Mr. P. Stephens,

The rule which prohibits the reading of bills twice on the same day, being in this case dispensed with, the said bill was read the third time and passed, and

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate and request their concurrence in the amendments thereto by this House.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Agnew in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 566, entitled "An act to incorporate the Pennsylvania association for the mutual comfort and support of its members, and the support and education of their children."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the first section of the bill negatived.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the report of the committee of the whole?

It was determined in the affirmative.

The Secretary of the Commonwealth being introduced, presented a message from the Governor which was read as follows, viz.

To the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

GENTLEMEN,

I have this day approved and signed the following acts of the General Assembly, and directed the Secretary of the Commonwealth to return them to the Houses in which they respectively originated, viz.

An act for the relief of the heirs of Elisha Mathewson.

An act to incorporate the Union Academy at Doylestown.

An act to incorporate the rector, church wardens and vestrymen of the Episcopal church of St. Paul's, in Beaver county.

An act authorising the administrators of Peter Anthony to sell and convey certain real estate.

An act for the relief of Hugh Means, a soldier of the revolution.

A supplement to an act, entitled An act for the promotion of agriculture and domestic manufactures.

An act granting aid to Allegheny college, in Crawford county.

An act to establish an academy in the town of Millburg, in the county of Union, and for other purposes.

A supplement to the act, entitled An act appointing commissioners to investigate the concerns of the Northern Bank of Pennsylvania.

A supplement to the act, entitled An act authorising a review of certain state roads.

A supplement to an act, entitled An act to erect the town of Morrisville into a borough.

An act to repeal the 8th, 9th and 10th sections of an act authorising the sale and conveyance of certain real estate, and for other purposes, passed March 31, 1825.

A supplement to an act, entitled An act for the improvement of the state.

An act appropriating a sum of money to the erection of a bridge over the Yellow Breeches creek.

A further supplement to the act, entitled An act for holding special courts of common pleas.

An act to repeal part of an act, passed March fifteenth, one thousand eight hundred and twenty-six, authorising James Bell and Evan Thomas to build a bridge over Smithfield creek, in Northampton county.

An act for the relief of Charles Mitman and Samuel Beatty, soldiers of the revolution.

An act to authorise the committee of the estate of Charles Willing Hare, to sell and convey real estate.

An act to authorise the trustees of a public school in Douglass township, Berks county, to sell certain real estate.

An act for the relief of Patrick Dickson and James Ryley, soldiers of the revolution.

An act to incorporate the town of Mifflinburg, in Union county.

An act to incorporate the towns of Jefferson and Hamilton, in Greene county, into a borough.

An act to enable the Governor to incorporate a company for making an artificial road from the borough of Mercer, in the county of Mercer, to the line of the state of Ohio, in a direction to the centre of Vernon, in the county of Trumbull, in the state of Ohio.

An act appropriating a sum of money for the erection of a bridge over the river Schuylkill, near Hamburg, in the county of Berks.

An act to change the style of the charter of the German congregation of Zelienople and Harmony, in Butler county.

An act to incorporate the Female Hospitable society.

An act incorporating the Lancaster county academy.

An act authorising the executors of Peter Blecker, deceased, to sell and convey certain real estate.

An act to aid in improving and repairing the state road between the Allegheny bridge and Beaver bridge.

An act incorporating the Trindle Spring German Reformed Calvinist and German Lutheran congregations of Cumberland county.

An act for the relief of Andrew Long, a soldier of the revolution.

An act changing the name of John Stephen Smith, to Keaderton Smith.

A supplement to an act, entitled An act to provide for the education of children at the public expense, within the city and county of Philadelphia.

An act to incorporate the Pennsylvania and Ohio canal company.

An act to repeal, in part, an act, entitled An act for the relief of sundry supervisors therein mentioned, and for other purposes.

A further supplement to the act, entitled An act for the regulation of the militia of this commonwealth.

An act for the relief of Nathaniel Patterson, inspector of the 1st brigade, 15th division, Pennsylvania militia, and for the relief of Nathaniel W. Sample, junior, inspector of the 2d brigade, fourth division, Pennsylvania militia.

An act to enable the commissioners of the county of Philadelphia to convey certain real estate.

An act to improve the Norwegian creek, in Schuylkill county.

An act to authorise the establishment of a branch bank in the town of Pottsville, in Schuylkill county.

An act to enable John Saeger, administrator de bonis non, &c. of Peter Miller, deceased, to make title to certain real estate.

A supplement to an act, entitled An act to alter an act, entitled An act for erecting the town of Carlisle, in the county of Cumberland, into a borough, &c.

An act authorising the reviewing and laying out certain state roads, and for other purposes.

An act to enable the Governor to incorporate a company for making an artificial road from the borough of Mercer, in the county of Mercer, through Greenville, to the line of the state of Ohio, at William Mossman's, in a direction to the town of Kinsman, in the county of Trumbull, in the state of Ohio, and for other purposes.

An act authorising the Governor to incorporate the Shamokin canal company.

J. ANDW. SHULZE.

Harrisburg, April 14, 1827.

Laid on the table.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. F. Smith in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 567, entitled "A supplement to the act, entitled An act securing to mechanics and others payment for their labor and materials in erecting any house or other building within the city and county of Philadelphia."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill with amendments, and

On motion,

The said bill was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered to be prepared for the third reading, the title being amended by adding "and for other purposes."

On motion of Mr. W. Forster

The rule which prohibits the reading of bills twice on the same day, being in this case dispensed with, the said bill was read the third time, and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate, and request their concurrence in the amendments thereto by this House.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Matts in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 568, entitled "An act vesting in Rachel Van Fossen, the illegitimate child of Mary Ogle, deceased, the estate of said deceased."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill without amendment. And

On motion,

The said bill was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered to be prepared for the third reading.

On motion of Mr. J. Miller,

The rule which prohibits the reading of bills twice on the same day, being in this case dispensed with, the said bill was read the third time and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. J. R. C. Smith in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 569, entitled "An act for the relief of John Barlet, a soldier of the revolution."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill without amendment. And

On motion,

The said bill was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered to be prepared for the third reading.

On motion of Mr. Overholzer,

The rule which prohibits the reading of bills twice on the same day, being in this case dispensed with, the said bill was read the third time and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Rahn in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 570, entitled "A further supplement to an act, entitled An act to incorporate

a company for making a turnpike road from Butler to the Allegheny river, opposite Kittanning."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill without amendment. And

On motion,

The said bill was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered to be prepared for the third reading.

On motion of Mr. Lawson,

The rule which prohibits the reading of bills twice on the same day, being in this case dispensed with, the said bill was read the third time and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Pennypacker in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 572, entitled "A supplement to an act, entitled An act to alter and amend the fee-bill."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill without amendment. And

On motion,

The said bill was read the second time.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the same?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Matts and Mr. Mathews of Cambria, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Bell, Leb.	Mr. M'Clure	Mr. Rankin
Binder	M'Reynolds	Scudder
Bonner	M'Sherry	Shannon
Brown, Lan.	Mathewson	F. Smith
Burden	Meredith	J. R. C. Smith
Buyers	J. Miller	Snyder
Cooper	Nicholson	P. Stephens
Denny	Overholzer	Walker
W. Forster	Pearson	Wolfersberger
Krepps	Pennypacker	Wolford
Lehman	Rahn	Woolverton 33

NAYS.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Evans	Mr. Matheys, Mont.
Beatty	Farrell	Matts
G. Bell	Good	Patterson
Bell, West.	Harrison	Ramsey
Brown, Allegh.	Kerr	Ringland
Cope	Lauman	Thompson
Dillinger	M'Bride	Whitlatch
Dorrance	Madden	Wise
Dunlap	Mathews, Cam.	Ritner, Sp'r. 27

So the question was determined in the affirmative.

The title was considered and agreed to, and

Ordered, That the bill be prepared for the third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Ramsey in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 574, entitled "An act for the relief of William Streper, a soldier of the revolution."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill without amendment. And

On motion,

The said bill was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered, to be prepared for the third reading.

On motion of Mr. Thompson,

The rule which prohibits the reading of bills twice on the same day, being in this case dispensed with, the said bill was read the third time and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate.

Agreeably to order,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Bell of Westmoreland in the chair, on the bill from the Senate, No. 575, entitled "An act for the relief of William Blair and William Lecky, administrators of James Arthurs, deceased, and the sureties of Samuel Mann, late collector of taxes in the city of Pittsburg."

And after some time,

The Speaker resumed the chair, and the chairman reported the bill without amendment. And

On motion,

The said bill was read the second time, considered and agreed to. And

Ordered to be prepared for the third reading.

On motion of Mr. Denny,

The rule which prohibits the reading of bills twice on the same day, being in this case dispensed with, the said bill was read the third time and passed. And

Ordered, That the Clerk return the same to the Senate.

On leave given,

Mr. Rahn, from the committee of accounts, made a report, (No. 302,) relative to the account of the printer of the English Journal, accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That the Speaker draw his warrant on the State Treasurer, in favor of John S. Wiestling, for thirteen hundred and thirty-one dollars and fifty cents, the above balance.

And on motion.

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

Adjourned until 8 o'clock on Monday morning next.

MONDAY, April 16, 1827.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, returned the bills and resolution entitled as follow, viz.

No. 522, "An act regulating election districts, and for other purposes."

No. 529, "Resolution relative to the support of the western penitentiary."

No. 354, "An act relative to the distribution of money arising from sheriffs' and coroners' sales, and for other purposes."

And informed,

That the Senate have passed said bills and resolution with amendments, in which the concurrence of the House of Representatives is requested.

The amendments by the Senate to the said bills and resolution were read, considered and concurred in, and

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate of the same.

The Clerk of the Senate gave further information,

That the Senate have concurred in the amendments by the House of Representatives to the bills entitled as follow, viz.

No. 401, "An act authorising the Governor to incorporate the Allegheny and Conewango canal company."

573, "A further supplement to an act, entitled An act to appoint a board of canal commissioners."

542, "An act concerning writs of scire facias."

564, "A supplement to an act, entitled An act authorising the Governor to incorporate the Lackawanna and Susquehanna rail road company."

567, "A supplement to an act, entitled An act securing to mechanics and others, payment for their labor and materials in erecting any house or other building within the city and county of Philadelphia."

And gave further information,

That the Senate insist in their amendments, non-concurred in by the House of Representatives, to the bill No. 74, entitled "An act granting compensation for donation land to sundry soldiers and heirs of soldiers of the revolutionary war," and have appointed Messrs Hunt, Allshouse and Leech a committee of conference, to confer with a similar committee of the House of Representatives, if that House should appoint such committee, on said amendments.

On motion of Mr. Harrison, the House receded from the said amendments, and

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate of the same.

The Clerk of the Senate gave further information, that the Senate have concurred in the first, third and fourth amendments, and non concurred in the second amendment by the House of Representatives to the bill No. 523, entitled "An act relating to the escheated estates of John M'Gray and John Weemly."

A motion was made by Mr. Ellis, that the House insist upon the said amendment, non-concurred in by the Senate, and that a committee of conference be appointed.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Ellis and Mr. Overholzer, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Ellis	Mr. Pennypacker
Beatty	W. Forster	Ramsey
Becker	Harrison	Rankin
G. Bell	Kerr	Ringland
Binder	Lauman	J. R. C. Smith
Brown, Allegh	Lawson	Thompson
Cooper	Mathews, Cam.	Walker
Cope	Matheys, Mont.	Wise
Dillinger	Matts	Woolverton
Dorrance	Meredith	Ritner, Sp'r.
Duncan	Pearson	

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NAYS.

Mr. Bell, West.	Mr. Good	Mr. Overholzer
Bertolet	M'Clure	Patterson
Bonner	M'Reynolds	F. Smith
Brown, Lan.	M'Sherry	Snyder
Burden	Madden	P. Stephens
Cunningham	Mathewson	Whitlatch
Dunlap	H. Miller	Wolfersberger
Farrell	Nicholson	

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So the question was determined in the affirmative. And

Ordered That Messrs. Ellis, Harrison and Wise be the committee, to confer with a committee of the Senate upon the said amendment, and that the Clerk inform the Senate of the same.

Mr. Dillinger, from the committee appointed to compare bills and present them to the Governor for his approbation, made report, which was read as follows, viz.

That in conjunction with a similar committee from the Senate, they have compared, and on Saturday presented to the Governor for his approbation, the bills entitled as follow, to wit:

A supplement to the act, entitled An act to provide for the erection of a poor house, for the better relief and employment of the poor in the townships of Oxford and Lower Dublin, in the county of Philadelphia; and relating to the poor of the borough of Erie, and certain townships in the county of Erie.

An act making appropriations to defray certain expenses of government.

An act vesting certain powers in the administrators of the estate of James Elliott, deceased.

A supplement to an act, entitled An act for the relief of the poor, passed the 9th day of March, 1771.

An act concerning writs of scire facias.

A supplement to an act, entitled An act authorising the Governor to incorporate the Lackawanna and Susquehanna rail road company.

An act for the relief of William Blair and William Lecky, administrators of James Arthurs, deceased, and the sureties of Samuel Mann, late collector of taxes in the city of Pittsburg.

A supplement to an act, entitled An act securing to mechanics and others, payment for their labor and materials in erecting any house or other building within the city and county of Philadelphia, and for other purposes.

A further supplement to an act, entitled An act to incorporate a company for making a turnpike road from Butler to the Allegheny river, opposite Kittanning.

An act for the relief of William Streper, a soldier of the revolution.

An act for the relief of John Barlet, a soldier of the revolution.

An act vesting in Rachel Van Fossen, the illegitimate child of Mary Ogle, deceased, the estate of said deceased.

A further supplement to an act, entitled An act to appoint a board of canal commissioners.

An act authorising the Governor to incorporate the Allegheny and Conewango canal company.

Laid on the table.

The Secretary of the Commonwealth being introduced, presented a message from the Governor, which was read as follows, viz.

To the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

GENTLEMEN,

I have this day approved and signed the following acts of the General Assembly, and directed the Secretary of the Commonwealth to return them to the Houses in which they respectively originated, viz.

A further supplement to an act, entitled An act to appoint a board of canal commissioners.

A supplement to the act, entitled An act to provide for the erection of a poor house, for the better relief and employment of the poor, in the townships of Oxford and Lower Dublin, in the county of Philadelphia; and relating to the poor of the borough of Erie, and certain townships in the county of Erie.

A supplement to an act, entitled An act for the relief of the poor, passed the 9th day of March, 1771.

An act making appropriations to defray certain expenses of government.

An act vesting in Rachel Van Fossen, the illegitimate child of Mary Ogle, deceased, the estate of said deceased.

An act for the relief of William Streper, a soldier of the revolution.

An act for the relief of John Barlet, a soldier of the revolution.

A supplement to an act, entitled An act authorising the Governor to incorporate the Lackawanna and Susquehanna rail road company.

An act concerning writs of scire facias.

An act for the relief of William Blair and William Leckey, administrators of James Arthurs, deceased, and the sureties of Samuel Mann, late collector of taxes in the city of Pittsburg.

A supplement to the act, entitled An act securing to mechanics and others, payment for their labor and materials, in erecting any house or other building within the city and county of Philadelphia, and for other purposes.

A further supplement to an act, entitled An act to incorporate a company for making a turnpike road from Butler to the Allegheny river, opposite Kittanning.

An act authorising the Governor to incorporate the Allegheny and Conewango canal company.

An act vesting certain powers in the administrators of the estate of James Elliott, deceased.

J. ANDW. SHULZE.

Harrisburg, April 16, 1827.

Laid on the table.

On motion,

Ordered, That the committee to whom was referred, on the 19th December last, the petition of Thomas Brown, be discharged from the further consideration of the same.

Mr. M'Reynolds obtained leave to withdraw the petition and documents of James Pratt.

Mr. P. Stephens obtained leave to withdraw the petition and documents of John Stanley and others.

Mr. Atkinson, from the committee of accounts, made a report, (No. 303,) relative to the account of the Clerk of this House, accompanied with the following resolution, viz.

Resolved, That the Speaker draw his warrant on the state treasurer in favor of Francis R. Shunk, for the amount of the above account. And

On motion,

The said resolution was read the second time, considered and adopted.

The bill from the Senate, No. 572, entitled "A supplement to an act, entitled An act to alter and amend the fee bill," was read the third time.

And on the question,

Shall the same pass?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Lauman and Mr. Brown of Allegheny, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Atkinson.	Mr. Ellis	Mr. Pearson
Becker	W. Forster	Pennypacker
Bell, West.	Krepps	Rankin
Binder	Lawson	Shannon
Bonner	Lehman	F. Smith
Bonsall	M'Clure	J. R. C. Smith
Brown, Lan.	M'Reynolds	Snyder
Burden	M'Sherry	P. Stephens
Cooper	Mathewson	Walker
Cunningham	Meredith	Wolfsberger
Duncan	J. Miller	Woolverton
Dunlap	Overholzer	

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NAYS.

Mr. Beatty	Mr. Good	Mr. Patterson
G. Bell	Lauman	Ramsey
Brown, Allegh.	Madden	Ringland
Cope	Mathews, Cam.	Thompson
Dillinger	Matheys, Mont.	Wise
Dorrance	Matts	Ritner, Sp'r.
Farrell	H. Miller	

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So the question was determined in the affirmative, and

Ordered, That the Clerk return the said bill to the Senate, and request their concurrence in the amendments thereto by this House.

On motion of Mr. Meredith,

Ordered, That when this House adjourns, it will adjourn to meet at 4 o'clock this afternoon.

Adjourned until 4 o'clock this afternoon.

SAME DAY.

On motion of Mr. Meredith,

Ordered, That when this House adjourns it will adjourn to meet at eight o'clock this evening; and that when this House adjourns this evening, it will adjourn to meet at fifteen minutes past twelve o'clock to-morrow morning.

The Secretary of the Commonwealth being introduced, presented a message, (No. 304) from the Governor, accompanied with a letter, (No. 305) from the engineer appointed to survey the river Susquehanna.

Which were read, and

Laid on the table.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, presented an extract from their Journal, which was read as follows, viz.

"IN THE SENATE,

April 16, 1827.

On motion,

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives, That the rule of the two Houses which prohibits the transmission of bills or resolutions within eight days previous to the adjournment, be dispensed with so far as relates to a resolution relative to certain drafts, maps and profiles.

Laid on the table.

Mr. Dillinger, from the committee appointed to compare bills and present them to the Governor for his approbation, made report, which was read as follows, viz.

That in conjunction with a similar committee from the Senate, they have compared and on this day presented to the Governor for his approbation, the bills entitled as follow, to wit:

An act relative to the improvement of the Susquehanna river.

An act concerning the backing or endorsing warrants by justices of the peace.

An act granting compensation for donation land, to sundry soldiers and heirs of soldiers of the revolutionary war.

An act relative to the distribution of money arising from sheriff's and coroner's sales, and relative to the duties of the Auditor General and county commissioners.

An act regulating election districts, and for other purposes.

A supplement to an act, entitled An act to alter and amend the fee bill.

A supplement to an act, entitled An act to erect the town of Indiana, in the county of Indiana, into a borough, and for other purposes.

Resolution relative to the eastern and western penitentiaries.

Laid on the table.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, returned the resolution No. 576, relative to the employment of counsel by the Auditor General, in the case of the heirs of John Nicholson, deceased.

And informed,

That the Senate have passed said resolution with amendments, in which the concurrence of the House of Representatives is requested.

The amendments by the Senate to the said resolution were read, when a motion was made by Mr. F. Smith, that the House concur in the first and second amendments and non-concur in the third amendment.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

A division of the question was called for by Mr. Lawson.

And on the question,

Will the House concur in the first and second amendments?

It was determined in the affirmative.

And on the question,

Will the House non-concur in the third amendment, viz?

And be it further resolved, That from and after the first day of May next, that the Attorney General shall reside at the seat of government, and shall give his opinion in writing to the Governor and heads of the several departments, when called upon so to do, and shall personally attend to all suits in which the state may be interested, and which in the judgment of the Governor or head of any one of the departments or of the canal commissioners, his attendance may be considered essential: and as a full compensation from the state for said services he shall receive the sum of five hundred dollars in addition to his present salary per annum, to be paid quarterly: *Provided,* That with the consent of the Governor, or of the head of the department requiring his services, or of the board of canal commissioners in cases where the said board shall require his services, the Attorney General may perform the duties required by this act by deputy.

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Good and Mr. Bertolet, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Beatty	Mr. Denny	Mr. Matheys, Mont.
Becker	Dillinger	Matts
Bell, Leb.	W. Forster	Patterson
Bell, West.	Good	Rankin
Bertolet	Kerr	F. Smith
Brown, Allegh.	Lehman	Wise
Cooper	Madden	Wolfersberger
Cope	Mathews, Cam.	Ritner, Sp'r.

NAYS.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Krepps	Mr. Pearson
G. Bell	Lauman	Pennypacker
Binder	Lawson	Ramsey
Bonner	McClure	Ringland
Brown, Lan.	M'Reynolds	Shannon
Burden	M'Sherry	J. R. C. Smith
Buyers	Mathewson	Snyder
Cunningham	Meredith	P. Stephens
Dorrance	H. Miller	Thompson
Dunlap	J. Miller	Whitlatch
Ellis	Overholzer	Woolverton
Farrell		

So the question was determined in the negative.

A motion was then made by Mr. Snyder, that the House concur in the said amendment.

Whereupon,

A motion was made by Mr. Wise, to amend the amendment by striking therefrom "five hundred," and inserting in lieu thereof "thirteen hundred."

A motion was then made by Mr. Ellis, to amend the proposed amendment, by striking therefrom "thirteen hundred," and inserting in lieu thereof, "one thousand."

Which was disagreed to.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to strike from the amendment "five hundred," and insert in lieu thereof "thirteen hundred?"

It was determined in the negative.

And the question recurring,

Will the House concur in the said amendment?

A motion was made by Mr. Wise, to postpone the question, together with the resolution, for the present.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the postponement?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Wise and Mr. Snyder, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Beatty	Mr. Dillinger	Mr. Matheys, Mont.
Becker	Ellis	Matts
G. Bell	W. Forster	Patterson
Bell, Leb	Good	Rankin
Bell, West.	Lawson	F. Smith
Brown, Allegh.	Lehman	Wise
Cooper	Madden	Wolfersberger
Cope	Mathews, Cam.	Ritner, Sp'r.
Denny		

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NAYS.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Lauman	Mr. Pennypacker
Binder	M'Clure	Ramsey
Bonner	M'Reynolds	Ringland
Brown, Lan	M'Sherry	Shaannon
Burden	Mathewson	J. R. C. Smith
Buyers	Meredith	Snyder
Cunningham	H. Miller	P. Stephens
Dorrance	J. Miller	Thompson
Dunlap	Nicholson	Whitlatch
Farrell	Overholzer	Woolverton
Krepps	Pearson	

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So the question was determined in the negative.

A motion was then made by Mr. Meredith, to amend the amendment by striking therefrom "five hundred," and inserting in lieu thereof "seven hundred."

When a motion was made by Mr. F. Smith, to amend the proposed amendment by striking therefrom "seven hundred," and inserting in lieu thereof "nine hundred."

Which was disagreed to.

And on the question,
Will the House agree to strike from the amendment "five hundred," and insert in lieu thereof "seven hundred"?

It was determined in the negative.

And the question recurring,

Will the House concur in the said amendment?

A motion was made by Mr. F. Smith, to postpone the question, together with the resolution, and that the same be recommended to the early attention of the next Legislature.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. F. Smith and Mr. Farrell, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Dillinger	Mr. Matheys, Mont.
Becker	Ellis	Matts
G. Bell	W. Forster	Pennypacker
Bell, Leb.	Good	Ramsey
Bell, West.	Kerr	Rankin
Brown, Allegh.	Lehman	F. Smith
Cooper	M'Sherry	Wise
Cope	Madden	Woltersberger
Denny	Mathews, Cam.	Ritner, Sp'r. 27

NAYS.

Mr. Binder	Mr. Lauman	Mr. Pearson
Bonner	Lawson	Ringland
Brown, Lan.	M'Clure	Shannon
Burden	M'Reynolds	J. R. C. Smith
Buyers	Mathewson	Snyder
Cunningham	Meredith	P. Stephens
Dorrance	H. Miller	Thompson
Dunlap	J. Miller	Whitlatch
Farrell	Nicholson	Woolverton
Krepps	Overholzer	

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So the question was determined in the negative.

And the question recurring,

Will the House concur in the said amendment?

A motion was made by Mr. Brown, to postpone the question, together with the resolution, indefinitely.

When the previous question was called for by Messrs. Burden, Pearson, Lawson, J. R. C. Smith, Bonner, Dunlap, Woolverton, Shannon, Cunningham, P. Stephens, Mathewson and Overholzer.

And on the question,

Shall the main question be now put?

A motion was made by Mr. Ellis that the House adjourn.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. F. Smith and Mr. Farrell, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Dillinger	Mr. Matheys, Mont.
Becker	Dorrance	Matts
G Bell	Duncan	Nicholson
Bell, Leb.	Ellis	F. Smith
Bell, West.	W. Forster	Wise
Brown, Allegh.	Good	Wolfersberger
Cooper	M'Sherry	Ritner, Sp'r.
Cope	Madden	

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NAYS.

Mr. Binder	Mr. Lawson	Mr. Pennypacker
Bonner	Lehman	Ramsey
Brown, Lan.	M'Clure	Rankin
Burden	M'Reynolds	Ringland
Buyers	Mathews, Cam.	Shannon
Cunningham	Mathewson	J. R. C. Smith
Denny	Meredith	Snyder
Dunlap	H. Miller	P. Stephens
Farrell	J. Miller	Thompson
Kerr	Overholzer	Whitlatch
Krepps	Pearson	Woolverton
Lauman		

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So the question was determined in the negative.

And the question recurring,

Shall the main question be now put?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. F. Smith and Mr. Burden, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Farrell	Mr. Overholzer
G. Bell	W. Forster	Pearson
Binder	Krepps	Pennypacker
Bonner	Lauman	Ringland
Brown, Lan.	Lawson	Shannon
Burden	M'Clure	J. R. C. Smith
Buyers	M'Reynolds	Snyder
Cunningham	Mathewson	P. Stephens
Denny	H. Miller	Thompson
Dorrance	J. Miller	Whitlatch
Dunlap	Nicholson	Woolverton

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NAYS.

Mr. Becker	Mr. Kerr	Mr. Meredith
Bell, Leb.	Lehman	Ramsey
Brown, Allegh.	M'Sherry	Rankin
Dillinger	Madden	F. Smith
Duncan	Mathews, Cam.	Wise
Ellis	Matheys, Mont.	Wolfersberger
Good	Matts	Ritner, Sp'r.

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So the question was determined in the affirmative.

And on the main question, viz.

Will the House concur in the said amendment?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. J. Miller and Mr. F. Smith, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Krepps	Mr. Pearson
G Bell	Lauman	Pennypacker
Binder	Lawson	Ringland
Bonner	M'Clure	Shannon
Brown, Lan.	M'Reynolds	J. R. C. Smith
Burden	Mathewson	Snyder
Buyers	Meredith	P. Stephens
Cunningham	H. Miller	Thompson
Dorrance	J. Miller	Whirlatch
Dunlap	Nicholson	Woolverton
Farrell	Overholzer	

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NAYS.

Mr. Becker	Mr. W. Forster	Mr. Matts
Bell, Leb.	Good	Patterson
Brown, Allegh.	Kerr	Ramsey
Cooper	Lehman	Rankin
Denny	M'Sherry	F. Smith
Dillinger	Madden	Wise
Duncan	Mathews, Cam.	Wolfsberger
Ellis	Matheys, Mont.	Ritner, Sp'r.

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So the question was determined in the affirmative, and

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate of the same.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, informed that the Senate have concurred in the amendments by the House of Representatives to the bill No. 572, entitled "A supplement to an act, entitled An act to alter and amend the fee bill."

And have receded from their non-concurrence to the amendments by the House of Representatives, to the bill No. 484, entitled "A supplement to an act, entitled An act to erect the town of Indiana, in the county of Indiana, into a borough."

And that the Senate recede from their non-concurrence in the amendment by the House of Representatives to the bill No. 523, entitled "An act relating to the escheated estates of John M'Gray and John Weemly."

He also returned the following addresses:

No. 564, Address to the Governor for the removal from office of Joseph Lester, a justice of the peace of Northampton county.

No. 565, Address to the Governor for the removal from office of Alexander C. Phelps, a justice of the peace of Susquehanna county.

And informed,

That the Senate have passed the same without amendment.

Adjourned until 8 o'clock this evening.

IN THE EVENING.

On leave given,

A motion was made by Mr. Lawson, and read as follows, viz.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, That the board of canal commissioners be and they are hereby authorised and required to sell and dispose of so much of the surplus water of that section of the Pennsylvania canal which is located between the mouth of the Juniata and the borough of Harrisburg, as shall not injure the navigation of the canal, to be used for domestic or manufacturing purposes, in said borough or its vicinity: Provided, that nothing herein contained shall be construed to prevent the sale of water rights at or near the western termination of said section, and at any other point where the water, after being used, may be returned into the canal: and provided further, that the same can be sold at or near Harrisburg for as much as at any other point on said section of canal.

Which resolution was read,

When a motion was made by Mr. Lawson, that the rule which requires joint resolutions to lie one day on the table, be in this case dispensed with, and that the House proceed to the second reading of the resolution.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to the motion?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Meredith and Mr. Thompson, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Beatty
Becker
Bell, Leb.
Bell, West.
Bonner
Brown, Lan.
Buyers
Denny
Dorrance
Duncan

Mr. Dunlap
Ellis
Kerr
Krepps
Lauman
Lawson
Lehman
McClure
M'Sherry
Mathews, Cam.

Mr. H. Miller
J. Miller
Nicholson
Patterson
Ringland
Walker
Whitlatch
Wise
Wolfersberger
Woolverton 30

NAYS.

Mr. Atkinson
Bertolet
Binder,
Brown, Allegh.
Burden

Mr. Cooper
Cope
Dillinger
Good
McReynolds

Mr. Madden
Matheys, Mont.
Matts
Meredith
Pearson

YAYS.

Mr. Pennypacker
Ramsey
Shannon

Mr. J. R. C. Smith
Snyder

Mr. Thompson
Ritner, *Spr.*

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So the question was determined in the negative.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, returned the bills entitled as follow, viz.

No. 32, "An act to prevent certain abuses of the laws relative to fugitives from labor."

52, "An act authorising the Governor to incorporate a company to erect a bridge over the Susquehanna river, at or near the village of Athens, in the county of Bradford."

And informed,

That the Senate have passed said bills, the first without and the latter with amendments, in which the concurrence of the House of Representatives is requested.

The amendments by the Senate to the said bill were read, considered and concurred in, and

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate of the same.

He further informed,

That the Senate have concurred in the second and fourth amendments, and non-concurred in the first and third, and concurred in the title with an amendment, in which the concurrence of the House of Representatives is requested, to the bill No. 280, entitled "An act incorporating the theological seminary of the general synod of the Evangelical Lutheran church in the United States."

On motion of Mr. Denny,

The House receded from the amendments, con-concurred in by the Senate to the said bill, and concurred in the amendments made by the Senate to the amendments by this House.

Mr. Krepps asked leave to offer a resolution.

And on the question,

Shall he have leave?

A motion was made that the House adjourn.

And on the question,

Will the House agree to adjourn?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Krepps and Mr. Bell of Lebanon, and are as follow, viz.

FEAS.

Mr. Beatty
Becker
Bertolet
Binder
Bonner
Cooper
Cope
Ellis
Good

Mr. Lawson
Lehman
M'Sherry
Matts
Meredith
J. Miller
Patterson
Pearson

Mr. Pennypacker
Ramsey
Shannon
F. Smith
J. R. C. Smith
Snyder
Thompson
Wise

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NAYS.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Dunlap	Mr. Matheys, Mont.
Bell, Leb.	Farrell	Mathewson
Brown, Allegh.	Kerr	H. Miller
Brown, Lan.	Krepps	Nicholson
Burden	Lauman	Ringland
Buyers	M'Clure	Whitlatch
Denny	M'Reynolds	Woltersberger
Dillinger	Madden	Woolverton
Dorrance	Mathews, Cam	Ritner, Sp'r.
Duncan		

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So the question was determined in the negative.

When, on motion,

The House adjourned until fifteen minutes past 12 o'clock to-morrow morning.

*TUESDAY, April 17, 1827.*

Mr. Dillinger, from the committee appointed to compare bills and present them to the Governor for his approbation, made report, which was read as follows, viz.

That in conjunction with a similar committee from the Senate, they have compared and on yesterday presented to the Governor for his approbation, the bills entitled as follow, to wit:

An act relating to escheated estates.

An act incorporating the Theological Seminary of the general synod of the Evangelical Lutheran church in the United States, and for other purposes.

An act to authorise the Governor to incorporate a company to erect a bridge over the north-east branch of the Susquehanna river, at or near the village of Athens, in the county of Bradford.

Resolution relative to the employment of counsel by the Auditor General, in the case of the heirs of John Nicholson, deceased, and prescribing the duties of the Attorney General, and fixing his compensation.

The committee further report,

That they have compared and presented to the Governor:

Address to the Governor for the removal from office of Joseph Lester, a justice of the peace of Northampton county.

Address to the Governor for the removal from office of Alexander C. Phelps, a justice of the peace of Susquehanna county.
Laid on the table.

The Secretary of the Commonwealth being introduced, presented two messages from the Governor which were read as follows, viz.

To the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

GENTLEMEN,

I have this day approved and signed the following acts and resolution of the General Assembly, and directed the Secretary of the Commonwealth to return them to the Houses in which they respectively originated, viz.

An act concerning the backing or endorsing warrants by justices of the peace.

An act relative to the improvement of the Susquehanna river.

A supplement to an act, entitled An act to erect the town of Indiana, in the county of Indiana, into a borough, and for other purposes.

A supplement to an act, entitled An act to alter and amend the fee bill.

An act relative to the distribution of money arising from sheriffs' and coroners' sales, and relative to the duties of the Auditor General and county commissioners.

An act granting compensation for donation land to sundry soldiers and heirs of soldiers of the revolutionary war.

An act regulating election districts, and for other purposes.

An act relating to escheated estates.

A resolution relative to the eastern and western penitentiaries.

I further inform the Legislature, that I have received the addresses of both Houses, under the provisions of the constitution for the removal from office of Alexander C. Phelps, a justice of the peace of Susquehanna county, and Joseph Lester, a justice of the peace of Northampton county, and that the removal of said officers will be made accordingly.

J. ANDW. SHULZE.

Harrisburg, April 16, 1827.

To the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

GENTLEMEN,

I have this day approved and signed the following acts of the General Assembly, and directed the Secretary of the Commonwealth to return them to the Houses in which they originated viz.

An act to prevent certain abuses of the laws relative to fugitives from labor.

An act to authorise the Governor to incorporate a company to erect a bridge over the north east branch of the Susquehanna

river, at or near the village of Athens, in the county of Bradford.

An act incorporating the Theological Seminary of the General Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran church in the United States, and for other purposes.

J. ANDW. SHULZE.

Harrisburg, April 17, 1827.

Laid on the table.

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, presented an extract from their journal, which was read as follows, viz.

"IN THE SENATE,

April 16, 1827.

On motion,

Ordered, That Messrs. Garber and Hunt be a committee, in conjunction with a similar committee from the House of Representatives, (if that House should think proper to appoint such committee,) to wait on the Governor, and inform him that the General Assembly have agreed to adjourn on the 17th inst. and to inquire whether he has any further communication to make.

Laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Brown of Allegheny,

Ordered, That Messrs. Brown of Allegheny and Bertolet be a committee, in conjunction with a committee of the Senate, to wait on the Governor, and inform him that the General Assembly have agreed to adjourn this day, and to inquire whether he has any further communications to make.

Mr. Brown of Allegheny, from the committee appointed to wait on the Governor and inform him that the General Assembly had agreed to adjourn this day, reported that they had performed that service, and that the Governor had informed them that he had no further communications to make at this time.

Mr. Dillinger, from the committee appointed to compare bills and present them to the Governor for his approbation, made report, which was read as follows, viz.

That in conjunction with a similar committee from the Senate, they have deposited in the office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth, for enrollment, the several acts and resolutions of the General Assembly, passed during the present session.

Laid on the table.

On motion,

Ordered, That Mr. Farrell and Mr. Binder be a committee to inform the Senate that this House is ready to adjourn.

Messrs. Duncan, Sullivan and Logan, a committee from the Senate, being introduced, informed that the Senate is ready to adjourn.

Mr. Farrell, from the committee appointed to inform the Senate that this House is ready to adjourn, informed that they had performed that service.

A motion was made that the House adjourn,

And on the question,
Will the House adjourn?

The yeas and nays were required by Mr. Farrell and Mr. Binder, and are as follow, viz.

YEAS.

Mr. Atkinson	Mr. Dunlap	Mr. Overholzer
Beatty	Ellis	Patterson
Becker	Farrell	Pearson
G. Bell	Good	Pennypacker
Bell, Leb.	Lauman	Ramsey
Bell, West.	Lawson	Rankin
Bertolet	Lehman	Ringland
Binder	M'Clure	Shannon
Brown, Allegh.	M'Reynolds	F. Smith
Brown, Lan.	M'Sherry	J. R. C. Smith
Burden	Madden	Snyder
Buyers	Mathews, Cam.	Thompson
Cooper	Matheys, Mont.	Walker
Cope	Mathewson	Whitlatch
Cunningham	Matts	Wise
Denny	Meredith	Wolfersberger
Dillinger	H. Miller	Woolverton
Dorrance	J. Miller	Ritner, Sp'r.
Duncan		

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So the question was determined in the affirmative.

And the House adjourned.

FRS. R. SHUNK, CLERK.

Titles of Acts,

PASSED AT THE SESSION 1826-7.

1. An act to enable the Governor to appoint a notary public in the incorporated district of Kensington.
2. A further supplement to the act, entitled An act authorising the Governor to incorporate four companies for making an artificial road from the town of Washington, in this state, to intersect the Harrisburg and Pittsburg turnpike road, at or near the town of Bedford, passed the 18th day of March, 1816.
3. An act declaring Sinking creek, in Centre county, a public highway, from its mouth to Christian Keller's mill.
4. An act for the relief of Catharine Shartzler and Mary Hollman, widows of revolutionary soldiers.
5. An act to repeal the first section of the act, entitled An act for the relief of sundry widows of revolutionary soldiers.
6. An act relative to constables' fees.
7. An act to alter the times of holding the courts in the counties of Montgomery, Greene, Clearfield and Beaver.
8. An act for the relief of Matthias Ehr, a soldier, and Hannah Margaret Kemmel, widow of a soldier of the revolution.
9. An act appropriating to internal improvement, certain depreciated paper in the treasury of this commonwealth.
10. An act concerning the proof and acknowledgment of deeds made abroad.
11. An act for the relief of Mary Nagle and Catharine Miller, widows of revolutionary soldiers.
12. A supplement to the act, entitled An act to incorporate a company for making a turnpike road from Butler to the Allegheny river, opposite Kittanning.
13. An act to incorporate the borough of Muncy, in Lycoming county.
14. An act for the relief of William Lemmon and Andrew Shuster, revolutionary soldiers.
15. An act relative to the election of constables in certain counties.
16. An act to provide for the copying or transcribing of certain dockets or books of record, of the court of common pleas of Adams and Chester counties.

17. An act to improve a certain road crossing the Lehigh hills opposite the village of Bethlehem, in Northampton county.

18. A supplement to an act, entitled An act for establishing a health office, and to secure the city and port of Philadelphia from the introduction of pestilential and contagious diseases, and for other purposes.

19. An act to authorise the printing and distribution of an additional number of the pamphlet laws.

20. A supplement to the act, entitled An act to provide for the education of children at the public expense, within the city and county of Philadelphia, passed the 3d day of March, 1818.

21. A supplement to an act, entitled An act to protect the public in the full benefit and enjoyment of the works constructed for the purpose of inland navigation.

22. A supplement to an act relative to state roads therein mentioned, passed the 5th day of April, 1826.

23. An act to improve a certain public road in Union and Centre counties, commonly called the Brush Valley Narrows, and to improve the road from Bedford to Armagh.

24. An act establishing an academy in the town of Clearfield.

25. An act concerning weights and measures.

26. A supplement to an act, entitled A supplement to an act, entitled An act to authorise the Governor of this commonwealth to incorporate a company for the purpose of making and erecting a bridge over the river Susquehanna, in the county of Lancaster, at or near the town of Columbia, passed the 29th day of March, 1824.

27. An act for the relief of Mary Lemmenton and Margaret Blattenberger, widows of revolutionary soldiers.

28. An act for the relief of George Huffman, a revolutionary soldier.

29. An act granting to John Dickson, of the borough of Erie, a certain lot of ground.

30. An act to exempt from taxation the property of the Pennsylvania institution for the deaf and dumb.

31. An act to authorise the laying out of a state road from Kutztown, in Berks county, to Mauch Chunk, in Northampton county.

32. An act to repeal, in part, an act, entitled An act to improve the leading roads in M'Kean and Jefferson counties.

33. An act for the preservation of the records in the office of the deputy surveyor in the county of Washington, and for other purposes.

34. An act for the appointment of an inspector of pot and pearl ashes for the port of Philadelphia, and for regulating the inspection of the same.

35. A further supplement to the act, entitled An act to raise and collect county rates and levies.

36. An act authorising Jacob Zook, trustee of the Great Valley Ominist society, in Chester county, to sell and convey a certain real estate therein mentioned.

57. An act to empower John Miles and Joseph Miles, surviving executors of Samuel Miles, late of Montgomery county deceased, to sell and convey certain real estate therein mentioned; and also to authorise John Fritz, guardian of Samuel, James and William Sands, minors under the age of fourteen years, to execute and deliver a deed for a house and lot of land in Pottstown.

58. An act to make valid certain acts of Charles Deshler and James Keenan, justices of the peace, and Charles Chandler, a constable.

59. An act to establish an academy in the town of Milford, in the county of Pike.

60. A further supplement to an act, entitled An act to incorporate the district of Spring Garden.

61. An act authorising the laying out a state road in Beaver and Mercer counties, and also in Beaver and Allegheny counties, and for other purposes.

62. An act relative to certain books of record within this commonwealth.

63. An act authorising the sale and conveyance of the right of the heirs of George Taylor, to a tract of land in Washington county.

64. An act declaring certain creeks within this commonwealth public highways.

65. An act establishing the rates of ferriage at Greensburg, Greene county, and to regulate the ferries in Washington, Westmoreland and Fayette counties.

66. An act to endow the House of Refuge, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

67. An act for the relief of sundry soldiers and widows of soldiers of the revolutionary war.

68. An act to make valid a certain deed from the administrator of Henry Snyder, deceased, to Michael Simon.

69. An act to incorporate the Franklin library company of Ten Mile, in the county of Washington.

70. An act for the establishment of a college at Uniontown, in the county of Fayette.

71. An act granting a sum of money for improving the navigation of the Tuscarora creek, in Mifflin county.

72. An act extending the time for completing the Washington and Pittsburg turnpike road, and relative to the state's subscription to the same.

73. A supplement to the act, entitled An act to erect the town of Chester and its vicinity, in the county of Delaware, into a borough, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

74. A supplement to the act, entitled An act to authorise the Governor to incorporate a company to make a lock navigation on the east branch of the river Schuylkill, called the Little Schuylkill.

75. An act authorising the Governor to incorporate the Schuylkill Valley navigation company, and for other purposes.

56. An act for the relief of Moses Vancampen, a revolutionary officer.

57. An act for the relief of James Murphy, a soldier of the revolution.

58. An act authorising the Governor to incorporate the Mahony navigation company

59. An act to authorise Samuel Humes, junior, guardian of Fidelia R. Van Dyke, to sell and convey certain real estate.

60. A supplement to the act, entitled An act limiting the time during which judgments shall be a lien on real estate and suits may be brought against the sureties of public officers.

61. An act to provide for taking testimony in certain cases, and for other purposes.

62. An act for the relief of sundry brigade inspectors.

63. An act to enable the Governor to incorporate a company to make a turnpike road, from the northern termination of the York and Conewago turnpike road, to the west end of the Harrisburg bridge.

64. A supplement to an act, entitled An act for establishing and building a bridge across the river Lehigh at Bethlehem, in the county of Northampton, passed April 3, A. D. 1792.

65. An act authorising the administrators of Henry Hurst, deceased, to sell and convey real estate.

66. An act authorising John Hunter, of the county of Delaware, to sell and convey certain real estate.

67. An act to authorise Philip J. King, of York, to sell a certain house and lot of ground, situate in the borough of York, and to execute a title for the same; and to enable Benjamin Moser and Christian Moser, administrators of doctor John Moser, deceased, to convey certain real estate.

68. An act authorising the guardian of the minor children of John E. Latta to sell and convey certain real estate.

69. An act authorising James Watson to sell and convey a tract of land in Bedford county, of which Samuel Moore died seized.

70. An act to enable the guardians of the minor children of Thomas J. Paschall and Mary H. Morris, to sell and lease on improvement, certain land in Schuylkill county.

71. An act to authorise the trustees of the Methodist meeting house in Germantown, in the county of Philadelphia, to dispose of the same.

72. An act to authorise the trustees of Athens township, in Bradford county, to convey certain lands.

73. A further supplement to the act, entitled An act to re-charter certain banks.

74. A further supplement to the act, entitled An act to authorise the Governor to incorporate a company for erecting a bridge over the river Susquehanna, at the town of Danville.

75. An act to authorise the Governor to incorporate a company for erecting a bridge over the river Susquehanna, near the north

line of Pennsylvania, in Harmony township, Susquehanna county.

76. An act to incorporate the Delaware towing boat company.

77. An act to cede the jurisdiction of the territory occupied for a navy yard, in the county of Philadelphia, to the government of the United States.

78. An act supplementary to an act authorising the executors of James Anderson, deceased, to sell certain real estate of the testator, passed the 11th day of April, A. D. 1825.

79. A supplement to the act, entitled An act authorising the executors of Robert Brooke and others, to sell and convey certain real estate.

80. A supplement to an act to provide for the erection of a house of employment and support of the poor in and for the county of Berks, and for other purposes.

81. An act for the better preservation of the records contained in the public offices of the several counties of this commonwealth.

82. An act to provide for the further extension of the Pennsylvania canal.

83. A supplement to the act, entitled An act authorising the Governor to incorporate the Susquehanna and Lehigh canal company.

84. An act supplementary to an act, for building a bridge over the river Schuylkill, opposite Norristown, in the county of Montgomery.

85. An act relative to the eastern and western penitentiaries.

86. An act to lay out a state road from New Geneva, in Fayette county, through Greensburg, in Greene county, to the Virginia line, in the direction of the mouth of Fishing creek.

87. A supplement to the act, entitled An act authorising the Governor to incorporate the Conestogo navigation company.

88. An act authorising the commissioners of Lancaster county, to sue in the name and style of the commissioners of Lancaster county, and prescribing that no person subject to county rates and levies shall be disqualified, for that reason, from being judge, juror or witness in such suit.

89. An act to change the time of meeting of the auditors of Luzerne and Northampton counties.

90. An act to increase the number of managers in the Huntingdon, Cambria and Indiana turnpike road company, and to reduce the number of managers in the Harrisburg and Middletown turnpike road company, and for other purposes.

91. An act to authorise the Governor to incorporate a company for making an artificial road from the borough of Wilkesbarre, in the county of Luzerne, by the way of Solomon's Gap and Mauch Chunk, to the borough of Northampton, in the county of Lehigh.

92. An act to annul the marriage contracts of Nicholas Black and Fanny his wife, John W. Shiun and Margaret Ann his wife, William Fleming and Rebecca his wife, and John C. Hale, (otherwise John Hill,) and Matilda his wife.

93. A supplement to the act, entitled An act to authorise the Governor to incorporate two companies, to make an artificial road from Potter's old fort, in Centre county, to the Juniata turnpike road, at any point between the Yellow Springs and Water Street in Huntingdon county.

94. An act to authorise Joseph M'Cune to erect swing gates or racks across the south-west branch of the Frankstown branch of the river Juniata.

95. A further supplement to an act, entitled An act to authorise the Governor to incorporate a company to make a lock navigation on the river Schuylkill.

96. An act to incorporate the Oxford rail road company, Chester county.

97. An act to erect the town of Alexandria, in the county of Huntingdon, into a borough.

98. An act to authorise the commissioners of Dauphin county to establish a public school in the borough of Harrisburg, on the Lancasterian system.

99. An act authorising the Dauphin and Susquehanna coal company to make Stony creek, in Dauphin county, a slack water navigation, and supplementary to an act, entitled An act to incorporate the Dauphin and Susquehanna coal company, passed April 1826.

100. An act authorising a re-examination and settlement of the accounts of Joseph M'Cullough, a supervisor in Jefferson county.

101. An act for the relief of William Arnold, late a supervisor of Luzerne township, in the county of Fayette, and for other purposes.

102. An act directing the commissioners of Venango county to raise a sum of money, to extinguish a debt due the county of Warren.

103. An act to establish a bank in the county of Lebanon, and for other purposes.

104. A supplement to the several acts for the inspection of staves and heading.

105. An act concerning agencies of insurance companies, authorised by the laws of this state, established within this commonwealth.

106. A supplement to an act entitled An act authorising the Governor to incorporate the York water company, passed the 27th day of February, 1816.

107. An act appropriating a sum of money to open a state road through part of Fayette county.

108. An act to incorporate the Philadelphia rail way dock company.

109. An act for the relief of William Alexander, late a supervisor of Spring township, in the county of Centre.

110. An act for the relief of the sureties of William Hamilton, deceased.

111. A supplement to the act, entitled An act for the relief

Samuel Richards and Moses M'Cormick, and to authorise Daniel Beckly and others, to convey a lot of ground.

112. An act to enable Abraham Sebolt, surviving trustee, to sell a certain Methodist meeting house in Jonestown, Lebanon county.

113. An act to annul the marriage contract of Samuel Weston and Julia Ann his wife.

114. An act to declare the uses of certain bonds.

115. An act for the relief of Elizabeth Bison, widow of Charles Bison, a soldier of the revolution.

116. An act to authorise the trustees of Nancy Wharton, to sell and convey certain property.

117. A supplement to the act, entitled An act to incorporate the Lehigh coal and navigation company, passed 13th February, 1822.

118. A supplement to the act, entitled An act establishing an academy in the borough of Northampton, in Lehigh county, and granting a sum of money thereto.

119. An act to authorise Stogdell Stokes to erect a bridge over Broadhead's creek, in Northampton county.

120. An act for the relief of John Newman, a deaf and dumb person.

121. An act to enable Rosina Jacoby to convey certain real estate, and for other purposes.

122. An act to authorise the Governor to incorporate the Shippenville and Foxburg turnpike road company.

123. An act for the relief of sundry soldiers and widows of soldiers of the revolutionary war.

124. An act to revoke the charter of the Northern bank of Pennsylvania.

125. An act for the relief of Joseph H. Fennemore and Bartholomew Graves.

126. An act to erect the town of Elizabethtown, in the county of Lancaster, into a borough, and supplementary to the acts incorporating the towns of Williamsport and Jersey Shore, and the district of Southwark, and for other purposes.

127. An act to incorporate the borough of Selinsgrove, in Union county, and the town of Berlin, in the county of Somerset.

128. An act granting a sum of money to aid in opening and improving a certain state road therein mentioned.

129. An act for the relief of the heirs of Elisha Mathewson.

130. An act for the relief of Hugh Means, a soldier of the revolution.

131. A supplement to an act, entitled An act to erect the town of Morrisville into a borough.

132. An act appropriating a sum of money to the erection of a bridge over the Yellow Breeches creek.

133. A supplement to an act, entitled An act for the improvement of the state.

134. An act to incorporate the town of Millinburg, in Union county.

135. A further supplement to the act, entitled An act for holding special courts of common pleas.

136. An act authorising the administrators of Peter Anthony to sell and convey certain real estate.

137. A supplement to the act, entitled An act for the promotion of agriculture and domestic manufactures.

138. An act granting aid to Allegheny college, in Crawford county.

139. An act to incorporate the towns of Jefferson and Hamilton, in Greene county, into a borough.

140. An act to establish an academy in the town of Mifflinburg, in the county of Union, and for other purposes.

141. An act to repeal part of an act, passed March 15, 1826, authorising James Bell and Evan Thomas to build a bridge over Smithfield creek, in Northampton county.

142. An act for the relief of Charles Mitman and Samuel Beatty, soldiers of the revolution.

143. An act, to authorise the committee of the estate of Charles Willing Hare to sell and convey real estate.

144. An act to authorise the trustees of a public school in Douglass township, Berks county, to sell certain real estate.

145. An act for the relief of Patrick Dickson and James Ryley, soldiers of the revolution.

146. An act to incorporate the rector, church wardens and vestrymen of the Episcopal church of St. Paul's, in Beaver county.

147. An act to repeal the eighth, ninth and tenth sections of an act authorising the sale and conveyance of certain real estate, and for other purposes, passed March 31st, 1825.

148. A supplement to the act, entitled An act authorising a review of certain state roads.

149. A supplement to the act, entitled An act appointing commissioners to investigate the concerns of the Northern Bank of Pennsylvania.

150. An act to incorporate the Union Academy at Doylestown.

151. An act to enable the Governor to incorporate a company for making an artificial road from the borough of Mercer, in the county of Mercer, to the line of the state of Ohio, in a direction to the centre of Vernon, in the county of Trumbull, in the state of Ohio.

152. An act appropriating a sum of money for the erection of a bridge over the river Schuylkill, near Hamburg, in the county of Berks.

153. An act to aid in improving and repairing the state road between the Allegheny bridge and Beaver bridge.

154. An act authorising the executors of Peter Blecker, deceased, to sell and convey certain real estate.

155. An act incorporating the Lancaster county academy.

156. An act to enable John Saeger, administrator de bonis non, &c. of Peter Miller, deceased, to make a title to certain real estate.

157. An act to incorporate the Female Hospitable society.

158. An act changing the name of John Stephen Smith, to Kenderton Smith.

159. An act for the relief of Andrew Long, a soldier of the revolution.

160. An act incorporating the Trindle Spring German Reformed Calvinist and German Lutheran congregations of Cumberland county.

161. An act to change the style of the charter of the German congregation of Zelienople and Harmony, in Butler county.

162. A supplement to an act, entitled An act to alter an act, entitled An act for erecting the town of Carlisle, in the county of Cumberland, into a borough, &c.

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Brown John
Burk James
Callahan Rebecca
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Conner Mathew
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Hanson Mathias
Hazlet William
Hector Edward
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Light John
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Lockhart Samuel
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Long James
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M'Coy Alexander
M'Crum William
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M'Dowell James
M'Millan Michael
Martin Jacob
Martin Jane
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Maxwell Robert
Means Hugh
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Miller Catherine
Miller Jane
Mitman Charles
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Moyer Peter
Murphy James
Murray Jeremiah
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Nicholas John
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Ohl John
Orwig Henry
Owry Adam
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Pegan Archibald
Peters Rosina
Pickhard Margaret
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Streper William
Tate Jane
Taylor John
Trees Barbara
Vancampen Moses
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Vandyke Mary
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The Speaker can, before the hour to which the House stands adjourned has arrived, name a member, under the 7th rule, to perform the duties of the chair, with power to call the members to order and preside over their deliberations.—Submitted page 488, decided 490.

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